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Says Reds Suffer

Hungarian Action Exposes Communists; Declines Comment On Refugee Limit

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vice President Nixon said today "international communism has suffered a mortal blow from which it cannot recover" as a result of the sacrifices of the Hungarian people.

Nixon made this comment at the airport here on returning from a study of the Hungarian refugee problem in Austria.

Nixon said he will make "specific recommendations" to President Eisenhower within the next week on "ways and means we can do our full share" in finding new homes for the 175,000 Hungarians who have fled Hungary rather than continue to live under Communist rule.

"I am convinced, as I return from a first-hand study of the situation," he said, "that the courageous people who fought for freedom in Hungary should be considered a problem only to the Soviet Union.

"As a result of their sacrifice, international communism has suffered a mortal blow from which it cannot recover. It has been exposed as a gigantic failure."

Nixon said "the whole world knows" now that communism can "maintain its hold on the people it controls only by force. And history tells a regime based on force alone can be temporarily successful as it is in Hungary today, but in the long run it is doomed to fail."

Nixon, who seemed fresh despite his six-day trip, declined to say whether he will recommend to Eisenhower that the United States open its borders to more than the 21,500 Hungarians it has already agreed to admit.

"Our efforts up to this time have been commendable," Nixon said at the airport, "but it is an opportunity and a challenge for us to join with other free nations to complete this task of seeing that the refugees find new homes during this period when they are unable to return to their own land."

White House press secretary James C. Hagerty announced that Nixon will report to Eisenhower Wednesday. The vice president will be accompanied then by two other government officials who went to Austria with him—Deputy Atty. Gen William P. Rogers and John Hollister, director of the International Cooperation Administration.

Hagerty said Rogers will report to the President on any changes which may be required in the immigration law, while Hollister will discuss the aid aspects of the refugee relief program.

Six Die In Hospital Fire; Seven Others Are on Critical List

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Six persons were dead today and doctors fought to save seven other patients who were in critical condition after a hospital fire sparked by a shorted Christmas tree light chain.

Heavy smoke billowing up from the lobby, where the fire started, caused the deaths yesterday.

A baby boy in an incubator was rescued from the blaze only to die a few hours later from a congenital heart condition.

The fire, set off by defective wiring in a Christmas light chain, roared up through a funnel-like stairway off the lobby of Doctors Hospital, a 44-year-old 125-bed medical center.

Christmas Fireworks Explode, Kill Six

NAPLES (AP) — A ton of Christmas fireworks exploded last night, killing five children and an aged grandmother and gravely injuring three other persons. The blast ripped open a ground floor shop and upstairs living apartments.

Ice Skate Weather

No snow is expected for a White Christmas but the temperature might be suitable for the youngsters to try out their ice skates.

Generally fair tonight and on Tuesday; low tonight in mid-20s; high Tuesday in mid-40s.

The temperature at 7 a.m. was 30; 29 at 1 p.m., and 29 at 2 p.m. Low Sunday night 28.

The temperature one year ago today was, high 67, low 48; two years ago, high 50, low 23; three years ago, high 35, low 13.

SEA SONS' GREETINGS — Crew of the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt had the Christmas spirit early when they spelled out a "Happy Holady" message on the flight deck of the aircraft carrier during recent redeployment maneuvers somewhere in the Atlantic.

Eligible for National Contest—

Robinsons, Askrens, John Kehde Win Home Decoration Contest

Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Robinson, 700 South Carr, were the first place winners in outside decorations in the Christmas Home Decoration Contest sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and will now be entered in the National GE Home Lighting Contest, for which first prize is $500, with an equal amount going to the sponsoring organization.

First place for inside decoration went to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Askren, 1507 East Seventh.

First place in the junior division went to John Kehde, 2201 West Third, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kehde.

Second place winner in the outside contest wast he home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sitton, 1100 South Murray; third place Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Blaich, 1408 State Fair Blvd. with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pitcairn, 1715 West Fourth, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, 400 North Ohio, receiving honorable mention.

Other inside decoration winners were Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rayl, 171 South Summer, second, and Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Russell, 668 East 17th, third, with Major and Mrs. W. C. Schmidt, 812 South Barrett, and Mr. and Mrs. Guil Flores, Jr., 1703 West Fourth, receiving honorable mention.

Billy Roe, 324 East Howard, was second in the junior division; Bobby Madorin, 1425 South Prospect, third, and Wesley Voight, 920 East Tenth, honorable mention.

The Robinson home, first place winner in the outside contest, which is beautifully lighted all over has the complete Christmas theme created from the wise men and the star on one side of the large yard to Rudolph, with his red nose gleaming, at the extreme other side. Four carolers, life-size, are singing in front of the house and the woman in the group is playing a violin, actually moving the bow back and forth across the strings. At the partly open door a woman and a little girl looking out. Along a little fence is a row of blackbirds and small reindeer dressed with Santa caps and little red and white jackets are chasing each other around the front yard. There are Christmas trees and various other Christmas decorations all over the place, and Santa in the far corner points to a Christmas greeting from the Robinsons — Howard, Ruby and the parakeet.

The first place winner of the inside decorations, the big front window of the home of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Askren, 1507 East Seventh, is a scene so real and so beautiful that there was no question in the minds of any of the judges when they saw it. It is the silhouette of the wise men on that holy night, the star above with the light around it, and the exquisite lighting of the sky just after sunset.

John Kehde, first place winner in the junior division, 2201 West Third, has a reindeer silhouetted on a white background on a big window, with smaller panes on either side with bells. There are Christmas lights, the season's greetings, little trees and two dogs in the front yard, above which is the greeting, "Hi!"

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Condemns Communism—

Pope Approves Defensive War and Calls for Police

VATICAN CITY (AP)—Pope Pius XII has proclaimed the morality of defensive war and called on the world to give the United Nations "the right and power" to prevent aggression.

In some of the strongest words of his 18-year reign, the head of the Roman Catholic Church condemned communism in his annual Christmas message for trying "to impose on all peoples, in one way or another, a special and intolerable way of life."

The message was carried by radio to hundreds of millions in countries around the world.

The Pope made it clear that, in the eyes of the church, the freedom fighters of Hungary had the moral right to resist Russian force with force.

"It is clear," he declared, "that in the present circumstances there can be verified in a nation the situation wherein, every effort to avoid war being expended in vain, war—for effective self-defense and with the hope of a favorable outcome against unjust attack — could not be considered unlawful."

Against communism, he said, "only the unanimous and courageous behavior of all who love the truth and the good can preserve peace, and will preserve it." As usual, he did not call communism by name but he left no doubt of his target.

The 80-year-old pontiff said nations—such as Hungary — which refuse to admit U. N. observers should be refused membership in the United Nations.

The world organization, he continued, should have "the right and power of forestalling all military intervention of one state in another . . . and also the right and power of assuming by means of sufficient police force, the safeguarding of order in the state which is threatened. . .

"Only in the ambit of an institution like the United Nations can promises of nations to reduce armament, especially to abandon production and use of certain arms, be mutually exchanged under the strict obligation of international law."

Warfare Eliminates Others—

1,700 Christian Arabs Make Pilgrimage to Holy Places

JERUSALEM, Israeli Section (AP)—A procession of 1,700 Christian Arabs from Israel crossed into Jordan today on a Yuletide pilgrimage to Christendom's holy places.

The aftermath of recent Middle East hostilities made this a somber, almost sad Christmas.

The crossing began at dawn, and by midmorning hundreds had passed through the Mandelbaum Gate into the Jordanian old city of Jerusalem.

Usually 7,000 to 10,000 make the pilgrimage. But there was only a sprinkling of pilgrims from foreign lands. The annual influx of tourists, churchmen, scholars and others was all but halted by the recent open warfare.

Many of the pilgrims who made the crossing arrived in Jerusalem by bus from Biblical Nazareth, Jaffa and other Arab communities in Israel.

They will return tomorrow evening after visits to Christian shrines in the old city and to Bethlehem, two miles south of Jerusalem in Jordan.

Even as Christian pilgrims gathered in Jerusalem, an Israeli army spokesman reported a raid by Jordanian infiltrators. He said they wrecked a dispensary in a village in northern Israel with a time bomb.

In Jerusalem, the divided holy city where barbed wire fences separate Arab and Jew, Arab Legionnaiers and Israeli soldiers maintained frontier watch from sandbagged rooftops.

Only a few hundred pilgrims from abroad were on hand.

For the first time since the state of Israel was founded eight years ago, Jordanian authorities banned the traditional consular corps procession from Jerusalem to Bethlehem along the bibical rows of stone fence barricades and a row of concrete "dragon's teeth" at the border point on the outskirts of Jerusalem.

Jordan authorities said foreign diplomats wishing to cross into Jordan for the religious services would be allowed passage through the Mandelbaum Gate. But many in the consular corps said they would boycott the trip because of the ban in the diplomatic procession.

At the Mandelbaum Gate, Arab Legionnaires and Israeli border guards cleared away barriers in anticipation of the stream of pilgrims. Most of them will remain in Jordan for four days.

Authorities on both sides of the gate set up tents to check on permits and packages carried by those making the crossing.

All Traffic Deaths Will Top Old Record

JEFFERSON CITY (AP) — Every Missouri traffic death in the closing days of the year will set a new record from here on out.

The old record of 1,074 in 1941 was surpassed last week as 11 fatalities boosted this year's total to 1,082. And the Highway Patrol warned today that some of the most hazardous driving days of the year are still to come during the holiday season.

Last year at this time in December the total was 1,040 but a tragic holiday toll lifted the year end total to 1,071.

In the pre-Christmas week last year 38 persons were killed in a series of multiple death crashes.

To Ride Buses Again

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Negroes prepared to resume riding the buses here again today. They said they will sit anywhere —and "turn the other cheek" if there is violence.

Mayor John Humphress called an emergency meeting of the City Council to consider the situation. Segregated seating is the law here.

The decision to resume riding the buses, ending a 7-month-old boycott, was taken last night at a meeting of 400 members of the Negro Intercivic Council.

Question of Using British and French Crews Delays Clearing of Suez Canal

Red China Leader May Visit Poland

Chou Interrupts South Asia Tour To Visit Moscow

LONDON (AP)—Warsaw radio announced today that Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai will visit Poland in mid-January. Earlier the Soviet government had announced Chou is interrupting his South Asian tour to visit Moscow.

Western diplomats in the Soviet capital had speculated the Chinese leader and the Russian chiefs would discuss the Kremlin's current troubles with its satellites.

There has been Indications that the Red Chinese regime favors giving the satlelites more freedom from Moscow. Apparently Chou wants to form a first-hand opinion in talks with Poland's new "nationalist" Communist government, which already has won considerable independence from the Kremlin.

Observers in London considered it likely that Chou would also visit other East European Communist countries in what may be a review of Communist China's place in the Communist world.

KARACHI (AP)—Communist Chinese Premier Chou En-lai said today his government is ready to join the United States in renouncing the use of force in the Formosa area but the United States insists Peiping give recognition to "U.S. interference in China's liberation movement."

Communist China, Chou said at a news conference, will never recognize what he called the U.S. "occupation" of Formosa. He gave this as the reason for the long deadlock in the talks at Geneva between U.S. and Peiping representatives.

Mild Temperatures Will Keep Christmas Comfortable in State

KANSAS CITY (AP) — It'll be a white, but a reasonably warm Christmas for most Missourians.

No more snow is expected to add to the white blanket already covering the state, but temperatures today were not high enough to cause any large scale melting.

Generally fair skies were forecast for tonight and tomorrow, with lows mostly in the 20s and tomorrow's high 40s north to 50s south.

THEY CREATED IKE'S CHRISTMAS CARDS — Mrs. Jeanette Lee, left, director of a Kansas City, Mo., greeting card firm, holds photo of the entrance to the Eisenhower home at Gettysburg, Pa., from which the Christmas etching, center held by artist Bette Skinner, was created. This is the personal Christmas card of the First Family. Artist Betty Johnson, right, shows the official Presidential card.

Post Office Windows Closed Christmas Day

All windows of the post office will be closed Christmas Day. There will be no delivery of letter mail by either city or rural carriers. Christmas packages will be delivered Christmas Day. Regular holiday collections will be made from the street letter boxes and outgoing mail will be dispatched. All special delivery letters will be delivered.

State Holiday Traffic Toll About Normal

Bulletin

A headon collision occurred about noon Monday on Highway 35, at the west edge of Clinton, injuring three persons. The injuries were not believed to be of a serious nature.

It was reported the accident occurred on a curve near the Gregory Service Station. Both automobiles were demolished.

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Missouri's traffic death toll for the Christmas holiday period was described today as no worse than for a normal weekend and special efforts were made to keep traffic accidents to a minimum.

Eleven persons had died in the state in traffic mishaps since the counting began at 6 p.m. Friday. The period will end at midnight tomorrow.

Every traffic death in Missouri until the end of the year will set a record. The previous record of 1,074 in 1941 was exceeded last week.

The number of motorcycle and radar patrols in St. Louis will be doubled tonight and tomorrow, and 100 auxiliary policemen go on duty at 3 p.m. today to bolster the regular police force in St. Louis County.

The Missouri Highway patrol said every available man will be on duty.

The state's traffic victims since 6 p.m. Friday:

Daniel L. Smith, Negro minister of Kansas City, Kan., killed today in a car-truck crash near Jefferson City.

Charles J. Warren, 22, Elmer, Mo., and George R. Sickler, 22, of Wichita, Kan., pedestrians who were struck and killed by a car last night near Macon, Mo.

Floyd E. Hogue, 39, of Blytheville, Ark., was killed Sunday in a two-car crash near Hayti.

Donald E. Swearengen, 45, of Fordland, Mo., died early Sunday in a car-truck collision near Springfield.

A three-car accident Saturday near Festus spelled death for Antonio G. Silva, 30, of Chicago.

Frank Contratto, 60, of St. Louis, was hit by a car Saturday night while crossing a road in St. Louis County.

Mrs. John J. King, 41, of Kansas City, Kan., died in a car overturn Saturday near Creighton.

John Collett, 73, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died Saturday following a two-car collision near Liberty on Friday.

John A. Rinehart, 22, of Kansas City, was killed in a three-car accident Saturday near Winston.

India's Nehru Arrives In London for Talks

LONDON (AP) — India's Prime Minister Nehru arrived today for talks with Prime Minister Eden.

Nehru came to Britain after private conversations with President Eisenhower in Washington and Gettysburg, and Canadian Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent in Ottawa. He flew here in the President's private plane.

National Toll From Traffic May Go High

512 Persons Die Up to Noon Today; 424 In Traffic

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

At least 512 persons were killed in Christmas weekend accidents up to noon today — 424 of them in traffic.

With a day and a half of the four - day weekend remaining, there were 88 nontraffic accident fatalities including 27 deaths from fires.

The National Safety Council reported that unless drivers used greater caution during the remainder of the period from 6 p.m. Friday to midnight Tuesday (local time), the council forecast of a record 660 killed on the highways will be exceeded.

Council President Ned H. Dearborn renewed his appeal for motoring Americans to drive as a national emergency. He warned:

"Look out for the other driver. Don't trust him."

Last year's three-day Christmas weekend holds the present traffic death record of 609. The over-all accident total was 782 then, which was 23 less than the all-time holiday total set during a four-day Independence Day period in 1955. The Christmas record toll is 789 for 1951's four-day Christmas period.

A mixture of snow, fog, freezing drizzle and rain made driving conditions hazardous Saturday and yesterday over much of the eastern portion of the country.

Safety experts cited the poor weather and drinking drivers as important factors in the growing accident list.

A comparative lull in the slaughter was predicted by safety officials until tomorrow — Christmas afternoon—when many travelers were expected to end holiday visits and take to the roads.

Checking a nonholiday weekend, the Associated Press recorded 500 traffic deaths from 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 14, to midnight, Tuesday, Dec. 18.

The National Safety Council estimated that for each person killed outright or dying soon after a traffic accident, 32 are injured.

The tragedy of violent death on the highways was pointed up by a head-on collision near Watertown, S. D., Saturday night. A father and mother and their three young children were killed and two others injured in a crash which hurled the two autos into ditches on opposite sides of the highway. The family group was en route to Minnesota to spend Christmas with relatives.

UN Forces Are Ready to Start On Egypt Okay

PORT SAID, Egypt (AP) — The question of using British and French salvage crews in clearing the Suez Canal again today delayed work on the blocked waterway. A United Nations salvage fleet, including British and French ships, is ready to go to work but Egypt still has not given the go-ahead.

It was thought salvage operations could be started south of Port Said as soon as British and French troops completed their withdrawal from Egypt. The last of the soldiers left Saturday.

Some British and French salvage ships remained behind as part of the U. N. salvage fleet, with their crews wearing civilian clothes and the blue-and-white U.N. flag flying in place of their national pennants at the insistence of Egypt.

But the fleet has not moved from Port Said harbor. An Egyptian Suez Canal authority official told newsmen a hitch remains on the use of British-French salvage crews. He said U. N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold is expected to go to Cairo to talk over the use of the British and French vessels. There was no such announcement from U. N. headquarters.

U. S. Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, in charge of the U. N. clearance operation, said the situation regarding use of the ships was "in a very critical state at the moment."

Wheeler said he hoped to move some salvage equipment into the canal today, but that he still had not received permission from Egyptian authorities.

Before the British - French forces left, they announced Egypt had agreed to the use of the salvage crews as "U.N. volunteers."

"It's a high policy decision not ours to make," Tewfik el Dib, staff director of the canal authority, told newsmen yesterday.

The end of the seven-week British-French occupation brought a big celebration in Port Said. Thousands paraded in the streets.

The U. N. Emergency Force announced it would shift its attention now from Port Said to the Sinai Peninsula, still largely in the hands of Israeli troops.

The U. N. troops in the Suez Canal zone will leave shortly to reinforce the contingent taking over the Sinai, an announcement said.

The U. N. police are under instructions to supervise Israel's withdrawal from all territory occupied since the Oct. 29 invasion.

Egypt announced it was demobilizing its national liberation army, formed of volunteers, and collecting its arms.

Sedalian Is Killed In Texas Car Wreck

Norbert Prejean, 55, who with his former wife, Mrs. Thema Prejean, 416½ South Ohio, conducted a cafe on South Ohio, was killed Saturday night in an automobile accident two miles west of Canyon, Tex., when the car in which he was riding with Henry Mathews, Amarillo, Tex., overturned.

The accident was on Highway 60 and officers investigating the accident stated they did not know which man was driving. Mathews, injured in the accident, was taken to Canyon Hospital.

Prejean is survived by his former wife and three children, Norbert, Jr., Rita Kay and Bruce Randall Prejean, who are living with their mother. Five sisters and a brother in New Orleans, La.

After leaving Sedalia a few years ago he had resided in Kansas City and New Orleans.

Funeral services and burial will probably be at Canyon.

On Christmas Eve

On Christmas Eve excitement runs high,
There are always those last minute things to buy,
With more gifts to wrap and the ribbon strewn
Over chairs and table in gay festoon;
For folks you forgot there are cards to address
And the house, all over, is just a plain mess;
The Christmas tree leans or wobbles a bit,
The bulbs are dead or don't seem to fit,
With strings or lights you get so involved
You wonder, will you get this tree trimming solved?
The star up on top sways to the front,
You pick up the fallen balls with a grunt,
Friends come to call, the telephone rings,
Neighbors bring cookies or candy and things,
And you, in return, send over some cake,
The children tonight are real wide awake;
They're being so helpful right under your feet,
But Christmas without them is never complete.
They romp through the house, sing carols off key,
The baby pulls candy canes off the tree;
They won't go to bed, they want to stay up,
You fall over the cat and step on the pup,
You tell the youngsters they must go to bed;
You put on their pajamas and hear their prayers said,
They still fight the sleep but one by one
They drop off to slumber from Christmas Eve fun.
From attic to basement, from the car trunk outside,
Come mysterious boxes you've been trying to hide,
Done up in bright paper with big ribbon bows,
Are perfume and silver, gay dresses and hose,
And fishing equipment you just can't disguise,
Shaving lotion and books, and, of course, Christmas ties;
There are toys for the children you have to unwrap
And put them together with the aid of a map,
You read the instructions, you figure and figure,
Your patience gets less and your problem gets bigger;
The clock strikes 12, you are weary, indeed,
At the rate you are going you'll never succeed.
Then suddenly there in the room is a noise
And there is old Santa just loaded with toys;
They are all put together as nice as can be,
He places them quickly beneath the big tree.
"Why don't you" he queries, "do things like I do,
"Get ready for Christmas all the year through?"
And right at the moment it sounds pretty nice,
We think that next year we will take his advice;
But now if we did, don't you really believe,
That we'd only find a dull Christmas Eve?

Hazel N. Lang

Merry Christmas!

The entire staff of The Democrat-Capital extends its heartiest Christmas greetings to its readers and is happy to present in this edition its special Christmas sections.

In the second section, you will find on the cover some heart-warming photographs by Bill Padgett of Sedalians at Christmas time, and inside that same section delightful stories about those same people, written by Hazel Lang.

You will also find in that same section and in the third section some short stories and articles about Christmas, written by members of our news staff.

The front page of the third section features the last in the dramatic series of paintings by Guy Rowe and stories by George Cornell of the Associated Press, dealing with the key figures in the Christmas story.

Throughout all the pages are Christmas messages from those who provide service and quality purchasing to you all during the year and helped you with that last-minute holiday shopping.

On this page will be found the annual Christmas story poem for the children, written by Miss Lang.

Photographs of the first place entries in the Christmas home decorations contest sponsored by the Sedalia Chamber of Commerce will be published later this week. An announcement of the winners is presented elsewhere on this page.

The Democrat-Capital will not be published Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning, so that the staff may enjoy, with you, Christmas in Sedalialand.

GOOD FARMING

in Pettis County

By MERLE VAUGHAN

County Extension Agent

Dates Ahead

Jan. 2, 8 p.m. 4-H Council Meeting.

Jan. 8, 7 p.m. Farm & Home Planning dinner.

Jan. 10, 1:15 p.m. Beef production meeting—W. P. Nicholson.

Jan. 11, all day Meeting on setting up inventories in Farm Record Books.

Jan. 14, 1:30 p.m. Meeting on Outlook and Public Affairs.

Brucellosis Sign Up Near Completion

The latest tabulation on the Brucellosis signup shows 64 petitions turned in to the Extension office. Those 64 petitions have been signed by 1014 people owning 19,729 cattle over six months old. If the 30 petitions still outstanding come in with as many signers and cattle as those already turned in the goal of 65 per cent of the owners and of the cattle will be reached.

Some of the folks have been wondering if the testing would be done before spring work started. Dr. L. A. Rosner, State Veterinarian, told me at the "Kick Off" meeting that testing could probably be started within 30 days of when the 65 per cent goals were reached.

Another very frequent question is whether the veterinarians will bring holding chutes with them. W. J. (Bill) Lamm was telling of an elderly neighbor whose cattle would be almost impossible to handle without one.

Bill went on to tell about testing a dairy herd near Versailles in which he had an interest. He said the veterinarian there had a "home made" holding chute which worked very efficiently.

Nicholson Meeting Jan. 10

This will be the second year for a meeting at Walter Nicholsons. He is keeping weight records on all his beef calves. Last year there were 121 while this year there were 132 calves.

Besides weight records the calves are compared for daily gains, according to the month of birth, age of cow, sire and sex. The calves were also checked for size and quality at birth and some of these may be reviewed at the meeting.

Four bulls were used in the breeding program and the offspring of some of these were much more even than others as far as quality was concerned.

The meeting will start at 1:15. The Nicholson farm is the old Hill View Farm located 3 miles west of Hughesville and one fourth south. If the weather is bad there will be plenty of room to get inside to hold the meeting.

Inventory Meeting

Each year more and more folks realize the necessity of keeping a complete inventory as a part of their farm records. One of the requirements of social security too is that all depreciation allowable must be taken.

For several years a meeting has been held each Jan. where interested folks could bring in their record books for help. Needed besides the book are the list of machinery, buildings and purchased breeding stock. Aslo needed is the depreciation schedule that is being used.

Loose-leaf farm record books are available at the office. That is, a new filler can be inserted each year. The income and expenditure sheets can be stored away after the income tax return is made and saved for later reference.

Each new book also contains sheets to list the inventory and figure depreciation. These sheets last for five years so only need to be bought once in 5 years. Because of that we have fillers at the office with and without the inventory sheets.

The location of the Jan. 11 meeting has not yet been set but will probably be in the courthouse.

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Better Farm Prices, But Higher Costs

Better farm prices for most farm products are expected for 1957 but continued rising costs will keep farmers in a cost-price squeeze through the next 12 months. That's what J. W. Burch, director of the Missouri Agricultural Extension Service, told extension workers at their annual conference held recently in Columbia. And because of the continuing squeeze, Burch said that part of the Extension Service's work for the next year should be directed toward helping Missouri farm families get more for the money they spend.

Dividing up the money for the many needs of a farm operation is always one of the major problems facing the farm family. And Burch said this job is as difficult this year as it ever has been. He pointed out that this decision on what to spend available money for is one of the basic functions of Extension's Balanced Farming program.

As an example, the Extension Service director referred to the money allocated for soil treatments. A farmer has the choice of spreading fertilizers thin over lots of acres or of fully treating only a few acres. Burch said the tendency is to spread it thin but soils specialists say it's better to do the job right as far as the money goes.

Burch also said there were a number of other special problems facing Missouri farmers during the coming year because of the dry weather. He pointed out the need to plan for getting extra pasture by topdressing with nitrogen, possibly to use more oats for hay and silage, and to plan to use more silage next year in place of hay which will undoubtedly be in short supply because of drought ruined stands.

A Stone's Throw

HIKA, Wis. (AP) — Jacob Vollrath of Sheboygan checked on the house he is having built near Hika and then complained to the Manitowoc County sheriff of a really grand larceny. Someone had stolen 15 tons of stone from the building site.

Season's Greetings

IVAN BERRY Hatchery & Feed Co.

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DAIRY MEETING—This was a scene at the noon hour during the County Dairy Meeting, Dec. 12th. Funds left over from the Dairy Festival last June were used to provide milk, hot chocolate, cheese, cottage cheese, ice cream, potato salad, and ham for those attending the dairy meeting. The lunch was planned and served by the wives of the county dairy committee with the assistance of Opal O'Briant, county home agent. The women in the picture, from left to right, are Mrs. Paul Selken, Mrs. Russell McFatrich and Mrs. G. E. Stevens. Others assisting besides Miss O'Briant were Mrs. Earl Wood and Mrs. Ernest Schlobohm. The men in the picture, from left to right, are Fred Meinershagen, extension dairy specialist, Earl Wood, H. E. Logan, Paul Read and Russell McFatrich.

More Than 14,000 Attend Short Courses

More than 14,000 persons attended short courses, conferences, and field days conducted in cooperation with the Missouri College of Agriculture during the first 11 months of 1956. About 40 separate short courses and field days were held.

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Medical Auxiliary Has Luncheon Meeting

The Women's Auxiliary to the Pettis County Medical Society met at the Old Missouri ... stead on Friday, Dec. 7, for a luncheon, with Mrs. K. B. Gonser and Mrs. A. L. Lowe as hostesses.

Honored guests were Mrs. Charles Shepherd, state president, Clayton, Mo., and Mrs. Armand D. Fries, president elect, of St. Louis.

The president, Mrs. D. R. Edwards, presided over the meeting. The American Medical Education Foundation chairman, Mrs. P. V. Siegel, gave the program entitled: "Building Our Future Health Heritage." The purpose of the AMEF is to raise funds by donations by individual societies. These donations supplement the budget of 81 medical schools. The cost to educate one physician today is $15,000.

Reports were given by the various chairmen: civil defense, Mrs. Stanley Fisher; Today's Health, Mrs. C. H. Brady; public relations, Mrs. John E. Lamy; radio and television, Mrs. D. C. Proctor; publicity, Mrs. T. J. Hopkins, and Doctor's Day, Mrs. J. W. Boger.

Members attending were: Mrs. J. W. Boger, Mrs. C. H. Brady, Mrs. W. E. Bess, Mrs. A. J. Campbell, Mrs. D. P. Dyer, Mrs. D. R. Edwards, Mrs. Stanley Fisher, Mrs. K. B. Gonser, Mrs. T. J. Hopkins, Mrs. J. E. Lamy, Mrs. R. W. Lemire, Mrs. A. L. Lowe, Mrs. L. A. Marty, Mrs. J. E. Mitchell, Mrs. E. C. Snavely, Mrs. P. V. Siegel, Mrs. C. G. Stauffacher, Mrs. A. L. Walter and Mrs. E. F. Yancey.

Hughesville Club Has Annual Yule Party

Mrs. Joe Williams was hostess to members of the Hughesville Extension Club for its annual Christmas dinner and party on Dec. 12. She was assisted by Mrs. Stanton Elliott, Mrs. Harold Williams, Mrs. Jack Fowler, Mrs. Julian Fowler and Mrs. Otis Thomas. During the afternoon, the group sang Christmas carols, followed by the reading of the Christmas story from Luke by Mrs. Elliott.

Mrs. Elliott was presented a 13-year 4-H Leadership Pin from the club, with Mrs. Edwin Williams making the presentation and telling of her outstanding work.

Secret pals were revealed and gifts were given to 23 members and six visitors, Mrs. Bob Smith, Mrs. Raymond Nagel, Mrs. Art Martin, Mrs. Harold Conaway, Mrs. Ella Brandhorst and David Williams.

Members found the names of new secret pals in little red stockings hung from the mantle.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Charles Rages, Sr. Jan. 2.

Social Calendar

THURSDAY

Walther League, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 7:30, educational building. Topic study.

Willing Toilers, Epworth Methodist Church, Christmas story with Mrs. Frank Henderson, 1101 East 11th, 7:30 p.m.

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Social Events

Miss Joella Brereton, Society Editor

Faithful Workers Gave Christmas Party, Gifts

The Faithful Worker's Class of the First Baptist Church had a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. A. B. Wild on Thursday, Dec. 13, with 26 members present. The home was attractively decorated with a Christmas tree and Christmas arrangements, and prettily wrapped gifts for the gift exchange were under the tree.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Gordon Voight and prayer by Mrs. Goddard. Mrs. DeWolf led the group in singing Christmas carols and a Christmas song contest was conducted.

During the business meeting presided over by the chairman, Mrs. DeWolf, two nice cash contributions were given to help two needy families.

Refreshments were served with cookies furnished by Group 2. A box of cookies was also sent to a shut-in member.

Church Group Meets

Group I of the Windsor Christian Church held its annual Christmas party in the recreation room at the home of Mrs. Howard Nanson Thursday afternoon.

The devotion was given by Mrs. Roy B. Marshall. The lesson was given by Mrs. Matt Acker assisted by Mrs. Rex Corson and Mrs. Virginia Rumans.

Each one had brought a gift and following the lesson a silent auction was held.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Nanson assisted by Mrs. Rumans, Mrs. Charles Holmes and Mrs. George Windsor.

Dresden Homemakers Have Party Luncheon

The Dresden Homemakers met at the Community Hall for their annual Christmas party Dec. 11. Hostesses were, Mrs. L. Raabe, Mrs. D. E. Edwards, Mrs. Oscar Kemp and Miss Nadine Stein.

A dessert luncheon was served at one o'clock. The tables were decorated with small white Christmas trees, with green pine branches decorated with ornaments, down the center of the table.

A short business meeting was held with roll call answered with a Christmas story or poem.

The health chairman, Miss Stein, reported on brucelosis and the Crippled Children's Center.

The community house has been roofed. After the holidays, work will begin on lowering the ceiling.

Santa Claus came to give out sunshine pal Christmas gifts and to others. The group sang carols to end the meeting.

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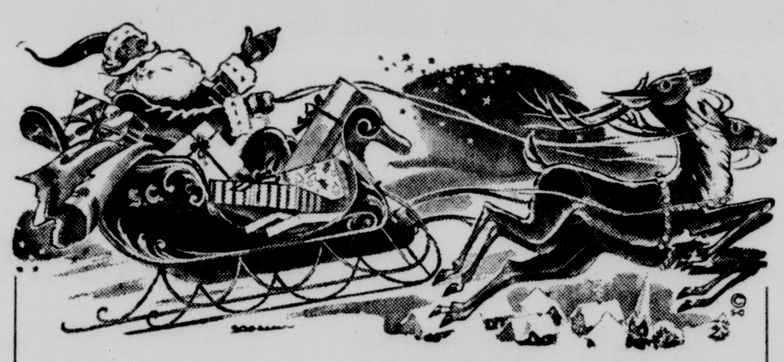

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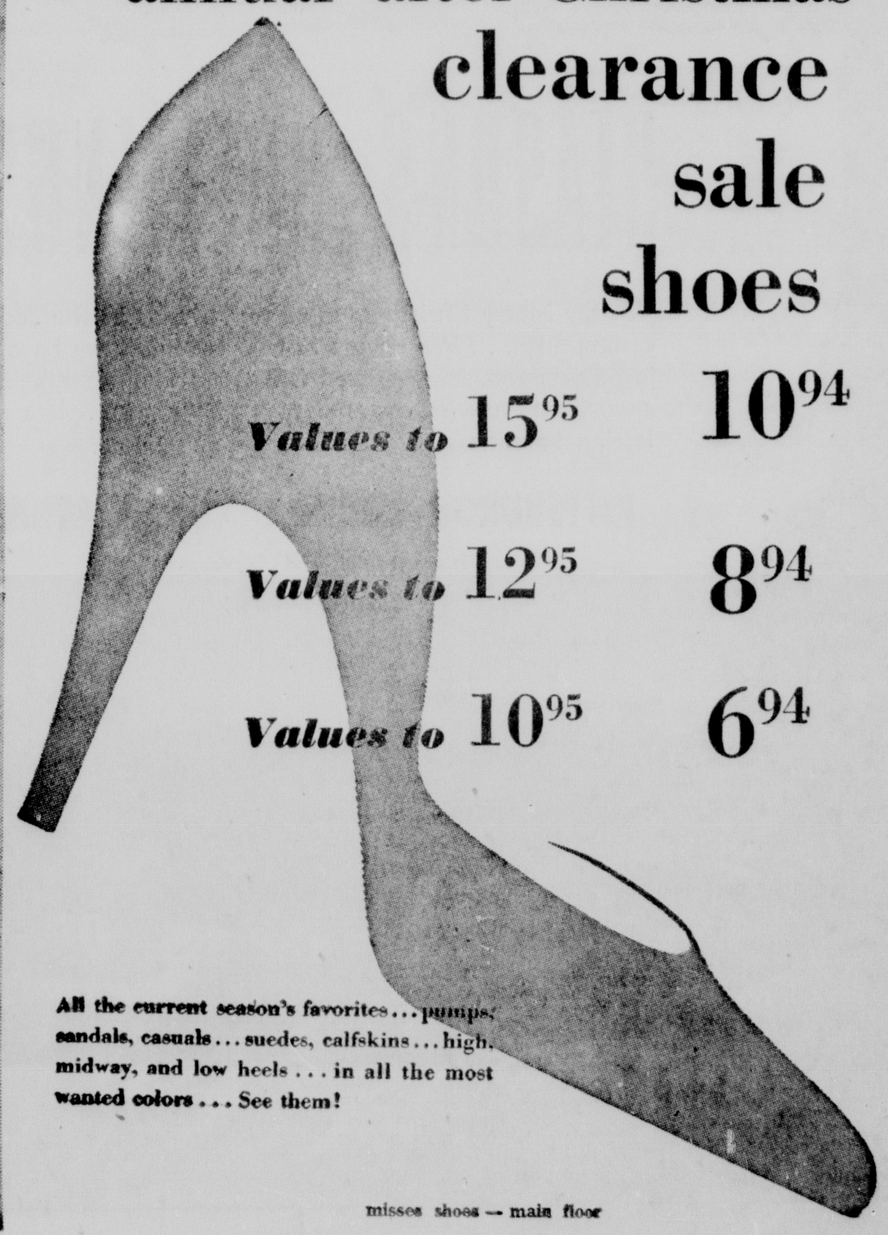

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How Bad Is the 'Worse' In the Marriage Ceremony?

By DICK KLEINER
NEA Staff Correspondent

"For better or worse," the minister usually says in marriage ceremonies. But just how bad is "worse?" Looking over the reasons given for divorce actions in '56, you get the distinct impression that "worse" can be pretty rotten.

And there are as many cruel wives as husbands. Like Mrs. Lawrence Gates of Benton Harbor, Mich. Gates filed for divorce, charging Nina had the habit of waking him up in the morning by pouring cold water over him. Then, when he finally struggled

up, she'd change and shower him with hot coffee.

On the other hand, consider the plight of Mrs. Hattie Payne of Chicago. In her divorce proceedings, she testified that in their 16 years of wedded blitz, her husband had given her 1,600 beatings (which is roughly one every three days) and almost 800 black eyes (approximately one a week). She finally decided they'd be happier apart.

Another wife with a hobby of pouring things on her husband was Mrs. Meyer Geller of Milwaukee. Geller claimed she poured turpentine over him, especially when he was in bed. And she tried to set him on fire. This, he alleged, made him nervous. He must be kind of high-strung.

Back to the male side again, specifically to the case of Mrs. Mary Feynman of Los Angeles. Her husband, she told the court, was a physicist who spent most of his waking hours working on problems in higher mathematics. To take his mind off such matters he would pound on a set of African congo drums. It made him feel better, She felt worse. Divorce granted.

Matching that performance is Mrs. Theron N. Colbath of Portland, Me. Colbath told the court, during his divorce hearing, that his wife had the rather nasty habit of drilling him in his legs with an electric drill. He complained that he found the practice unpleasant.

Mrs. Doris Carnes of Santa Monica, Calif., testified of another type of cruelty. Her husband was the rooster-pecking kind of man. He even left her a marked TV schedule when he worked nights, and she could only watch programs that he had checked. He must have been a critic.

What can be more cruel than a woman who tells a prospective husband a lie about her age That

was Newcombe Watchorn's position when he got his divorce in Lancaster, Wis. It seems the lady said she was 61, but when they got married he checked and found she was 71. Watchorn, 85, got his divorce. He'll be more careful next time.

Peggy Lloyd found out it doesn't pay to be a good wife. Peggy, the daughter of comedian Harold Lloyd, won a divorce in Los Angeles after she testified that her husband, Bob Patten, "hated" her because she was such a good wife. Some people are never satisfied.

Another Los Angeles case involved the Bradley family. Juanita won the divorce when she testified that her husband took her to the beach and wanted her to play strip poker. She refused. He tried to drown her, she told the court. "And I don't even know how to play poker," she said, tearfully.

Then there was poor Mrs. Gladys Cullum, of Little Rock, Ark. Her husband, she charged, had run for state auditor in the primary elections. He lost. What made her mad was he never even told her he was a candidate. She got her divorce.

Mrs. Virginia Miller of Beverly Hills, Calif., won her divorce when she said she was allergic to her husband. Whenever he was around she got a skin rash.

And a Springfield, Ill., man, Lester D. Plummer, asked the court to annul his marriage. It lasted one month. Plummer claimed he was so emotionally upset after his divorce from his first wife that he didn't know what he was doing when he married his second.

Perhaps the most tragic divorce of all, and one that typifies all broken homes, is the one that separated Mr. and Mrs. George Spencer of Dallas. When it came to making a property settlement, the judge was confronted with the problem of what to do with a pair of love birds.

He awarded the male bird to Spencer and the female to Mrs. Spencer. They both protested that the birds should be together. The judge held fast, but amended his order to add: "Reasonable visitation periods are granted for the male bird to visit the female bird during the mating season."

And so they lived happily ever after.

Dorcas Class Meets

Mrs. O. W. Peithman, Knob Noster, entertained members of the Dorcas Sunday School Class of the Knob Noster Methodist Church, which she teaches, at her home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Jessie Busby led the Christmas devotions and Mrs. James Rowland was in charge of the Christmas program.

Refreshments were served and gifts exchanged.

The dining table was centered with red candles and frosted pines.

Smithton PTA Holds Meeting and Program

The regular meeting of the Smithton PTA was held Thursday evening, Dec. 13 in the high school auditorium with a large attendance.

The meeting was in charge of Mrs. L. W. Hoehns, president, who called upon the Rev. Russell Estes for scripture reading and prayer.

Mrs. Hoehns appointed a "March of Dimes" committee to plan for a fund raising project for January. Room count was taken with Mrs. John Neff's grade room again receiving the award.

Announcements were made by Supt. Paul S. McKee that there would be a music program presented by the high school in the auditorium Monday evening, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. and that a grade school Christmas program would be presented Friday, Dec. 21, beginning at 1 p.m. It was also announced that school would be dismissed for the Christmas holidays on Dec. 21 and be resumed on Dec. 31 and continue on through that week, including Jan. 1.

An entertaining Christmas program was presented by Grades 1 through 6, after which a social hour was enjoyed in the home economics room.

The next regular PTA meeting will be Jan. 10.

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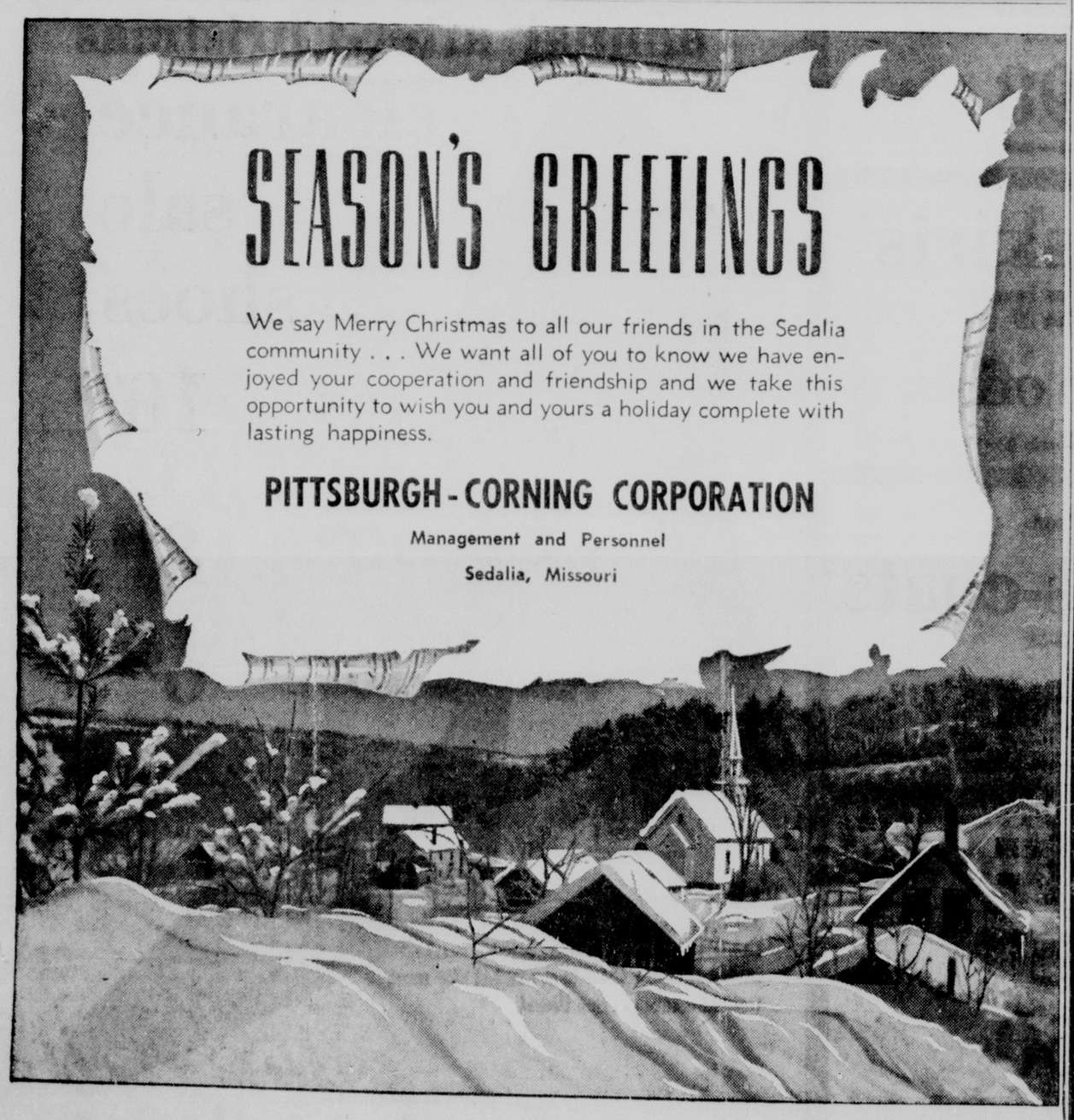

Edson In Washington—

Venezuela Has Large Colony From United States

By PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

CARACAS, Venezuela—The largest colony of U.S. citizens in any country where there is no big foreign aid or military assistance program is found here. It numbers over 37,000 civilians in private employment plus at least that many more dependents with dual citizenship.

It is a unique community of transplanted Norte Americanos. But by and large they get along well with the Venezuelanos. And U.S. Ambassador Dempster McIntosh, who has been in Caracas since last July, can truthfully report that there are no outstanding differences between the two governments.

It is Venezuela's current boom in oil, mining and public works construction projects which lures the Americans here. Salaries are high, though living costs are higher than in the States.

Venezuelan law requires that from 75 to 95 per cent of the employes in various industries be natives. That limits the jobs for foreigners, but there is a shortage of technical experts in the rapidly developing country, about the size of Texas plus Oklahoma.

You run onto the U.S. citizens all over—prospecting, promoting, selling, building, producing, engineering, managing.

About half are in the Lake Maracaibo oil field region in the west. The second largest contingent is in the eastern oil fields south and southeast of Puerto La Cruz, and in the Orinoco Valley where U.S. and Bethlehem Steel have huge iron ore concessions.

The third largest group of Americans is concentrated in Caracas. It supports a flourishing American Club, headed by Walter H. Gahagan, whose dredging company made the lower Orinoco navigable, and a U.S. Chamber of Commerce, headed by George Speirs, another big construction contractor.

The really important cementing force, however, is the North American Association. It looks out for the welfare of Americans who may get in trouble and it will help send home any who become destitute or the misfits who just can't make a go of it in the tropics.

There's an English language tabloid newspaper, the Caracas Journal, also supported by the Jules Waldman, a former copy writer for Altman's department store in New York, converted it from a struggling weekly into a thriving daily a little more than a year ago. It prints the top cable news, sports, stocks, news from home.

It also covers the country plus the Dutch islands and Trinidad with a string of correspondents in every community where there is a scattering of English-speaking people. They report the doings of the Oil Wives' luncheons and fashion shows, Parent-Teacher Associations and birthday parties, arrivals and departures in a typical small town way that makes the American colony in Venezuela a great big family.

It reports stories of prospectors treed by jaguars in the jungle and rescued by helicopter. Ruth Robertson, the Journal's columnist, who used to work for NEA Service in Chicago and Kansas City, writes about such things as how to make a household pet out of a praying mantis, to keep down the other bugs.

It's a great life. Locally grown vegetables have to be cooked or soaked in disinfecting chemicals. Freshly killed meat and poultry have to be cooked quick as there are no packing houses. Frozen foods, pasteurized milk and supermarkets have just become available since the war. Other foods have to be imported and prices are terrific. Celery $1.25 a bunch and lettuce $1.50 a head.

But there are compensations. Domestic servants and baby sitters can be had for a price. And it's always summer. The big American companies grant home leave every two years, and their people usually come back for more.

Some of the pioneer Americans in Venezuela have made fortunes. The classic example is William Phelps. Some say he came down originally to chase butterflies and some say it was to sell shoe laces. Anyway, he has done both.

His agencies for everything from soap to automobiles paid off so handsomely the manufacturing companies came down, bought him out and started branch factories of their own. Phelps became a Venezuelan citizen (personal income tax rates are only 10 to 28 per cent) and retired to his fabulous Casa Blanca estate with a hundred million or so. His children and grandchildren — some American and some Venezuelan—carry on his enterprises while he looks after his collection of tropical birds—said to be the finest in the world.

Cross Timbers People Are Hospitalized

By Mrs .Beatrice Burnfin

CROSS TIMBERS — Floyd Southard, who spent two weeks at Wetzel Hospital, Clinton, returned to his home in Fristoe.

Mrs. Joe Boyd was released from St. John's hospital, Springfield where she was hospitalized for about three weeks.

Charles Crist, nine, who was injured in a tractor accident, on Sept. 1, is at home for Christmas. He will return to the Springfield hospital after the holidays.

Mrs. L. O. Burton, who lives east of town, underwent major surgery in Springfield last week.

Mrs. Grace Mabary and Mrs. Laura Miller have gone to Kansas City to spend the winter with their daughters. Mrs. Mabary with Mrs. Edsel Shelton and family, and Mrs. Miller with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Poindexter.

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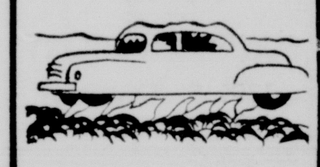

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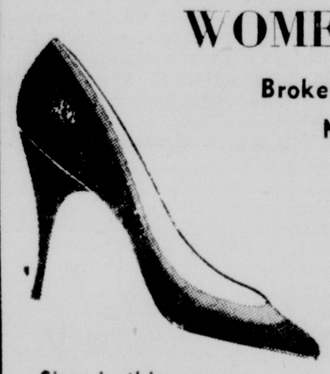

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AA				4	7	2	8	3	3	2	5		
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$2.95 - $3.95 $5 to $8.50 $12.50 to $15
$2. $3. $5.
Here are substantial reductions on a large group of fall and holiday millinery . . . dozens and dozens of styles . . . many colors.
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men's assorted sport shirts
$2.00
Included in this group of long sleeve sport shirts are flannels, dark assorted cottons . . . and rayons . . . a value-packed group at savings.
Street Floor

hundreds of
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Reg. $39.95 Reg. $50 Reg. $65
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Every suit reduced for a limited time during our after-Christmas clearaway . . . your choice of famous brands, expert tailoring, handsome patterns . . . most all sizes and models . . . save!
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HERE ARE SPLENDID OPPORTUNITIES TO S-T-R-E-T-C-H THOSE CHRISTMAS GIFT DOLLARS

select groups
men's topcoats reduced to clear
Were $32.50 Values to $65
$22 $32
Balance of Stock Reduced as Follows:
Reg. $32.50 Reg. $40 Reg. $45 Reg. $60
$27 $31 $34 $47
Street Floor

final reductions in
women's fall coats
Values to $35 Values to $49.95
$22. $29.
Big savings and further reductions on coats you'll wear now and later . . . good colors . . . excellent styles — all reduced. Car coats reduced one-third . . . select yours now!
Second Floor

Reg. $15.95 values
men's suede leather jackets
$12.
Only 51 to go at this price . . . popular blouse style in charcoal grey, spice, chestnut brown, navy or sand . . .sizes 36 to 46.
Street Floor

WATCH FOR MORE AFTER-CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE VALUES IN THURSDAY'S "DEMOCRAT"

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS "SWAPPING" EARLY
If Santa did slip, bear with us and we will work out an exchange to your satisfaction . . and we will appreciate, in fairness to you and ourselves, if you will take care of all exchange within the next 30 days.

select group — 37
men's winter suits reduced
$50 Values $65 Values
$36. $46.
Check this feature group of men's suits at big savings . . . not all sizes of course but tremendous values are yours if we can fit you . . . all are from our regular stock.
Street Floor

MANY UNADVERTISED FEATURES . . . SHOP EVERY FLOOR FOR IMPORTANT SAVINGS

feature group $4.95 to $6.95
women's skirts, assorted sportswear
$2.99
Choose from green or black velveteen blouses, assorted jersey blouses — some sleeveless, some with short sleeves . . . red wool sleeveless jerkins . . . printed corduroy skirts in sizes 10 and other items — all at savings.
Street Floor

values to $7.95
odd lot men's dress slacks
$4.75
Not every size of course but these values are excellent . . . sheen rayon gabs, blends and novelties in several good colors . . . see this special group.
Street Floor

clearance group $5.00
mens' dress shirts
$3.09
Included in this select group are famous make dress shirts in white and pastel broadcloth . . . a few are slightly soiled but the savings are great!
Street Floor

NO PICTURES . . . FEW WORDS . . . TREMENDOUS VALUES IN THIS CLEARANCE

entire stock
women's fall suits reduced
⅓
Regularly $19.95 to $35 this group includes our entire stock . . . a few woolens as well as dacron - rayon fabrics in many patterns . . . half-sizes and misses sizes.
Second Floor

values to $14.95
feature group women's dresses
$3.99
Also a large group of $8.95 to $19.95 dresses—
REDUCED ⅓
Second Floor

clearance groups
girls coats, boys jackets, etc.
¼ OFF
Entire stock of girls coats, boys utility jackets reduced . . . also you'll find other items for both boys and girls at this 25% reduction . . . check every item.
Second Floor

THIRTEEN RED HOT VALUES TO BEGIN OUR THIRTEENTH MONTH CLEARAWAY

Rotarians Hear Dr. West Speak At Noon Meet

"Rotarians Here, There and Yonder" was the subject of C. Omer West, M. D., when he spoke at the Monday noon luncheon of Rotary. Dr. West is what might be termed a Rotarian's Rotarian. Joining the Kansas City, Kan. Rotary Club in 1930, he was elected its president for the year 1935. In the intervening years, Dr. West has attended 14 Rotary International Conventions and has had the pleasure of attending Rotary on every continent of our globe. In 1954, he and Mrs. West flew around the world spending the equivalent of eight 24-hour days aloft. During this three-month trip he missed attending the weekly meetings of Rotary only once.

Dr. West graduated from the K. U. Medical School in 1923, studied his specialty in Germany, France, and England and started his practice of dermatology in 1928. More recently he was awarded one of the Scoutings highest awards, the Silver Beaver, for his work and service to the Boy Scouts of America.

Serving many organizations in Kansas City, Kan., the YMCA, Scouting, and even to the guidance and building of one of the finest churches in Kansas City, Kan., Dr. West certainly has achieved the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self".

In addition during the luncheon there was special Christmas music by the 30 voice Boy's Choir of Horace Mann School under the direction of Miss Mary Jo Case.

Missionary Society Has Christmas Dinner

The annual Christmas dinner sponsored by the Women's Missionary Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cole Camp was held in the church basement Dec. 16. The tables were decorated with lighted candles and evergreens.

The following were special guests: Father Pilecki, the Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Marshall, the Rev. and Mrs. A. E. Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Cairer, Jr., and the Leaguers of St. Paul's congregation. Others attending were members of the Missionary Society, their husbands and families, the Rev. and Mrs. Elmer H. Kuhlmann and daughters.

The group sang "Silent Night," to open the program, followed by a solo, "Star of the East," by Joyce Goosen. Mrs. Loman gave a Christmas reading.

Robert Gerken sang "White Christmas," before the pastors gave interesting speeches.

After a number of carols were sung by the group, the evening closed with prayer by Rev. Kuhlman.

Fisher Brothers In Service in South

By Mrs. Myrtle Yarnell

CLARKSBURG — Charles Fisher, son of Mrs. W. B. Pate, is now stationed at San Antonio, Tex., with the Air Force. Another son, Walter Fisher, is stationed in Georgia, and will be home for Christmas.

Kenneth Heather and Dickie Leonard, USAF, are both home on 30-day leaves from San Antonio, Tex.

Mary Maxine Yarnell arrived home Monday after a visit in Los Angeles, Calif., with her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dean Yarnell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Yarnell, Jr., and Kay.

Mrs. L. D. Scott and baby son arrived Monday from Mountain Home, Idaho, for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Margaret Caldwell and other relatives.

Christmas programs and trees are being prepared at the Baptist and at the Methodist churches for Christmas Eve.

LODGE NOTICES

Sedalia Chapter No. 57, O. E. S. will meet in stated meeting Tuesday, December 25th at 7:30 p. m. Practice for installation after meeting. Social session. Visiting members welcome.

Doris Stott, W. M.
Irene Aulgur, Sec'y.

Veterans of Foreign Wars. Post No. 5741 regular meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., at 114½ East Third.

Charles A. Mulcahey, Commander
Chester M. Kelly, Adjutant.

IOOF Neapolis Lodge No. 153 will postpone its regular meeting on December 25th. Merry Christmas to all brothers.

C. Lawson, N.G.
H. Jett, F.S.

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 15 will meet at the Masonic Temple at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday for their regular meeting. All officers please be present.

Kay Richardson, Honored Queen
Carol Hyatt, Recorder

The Women of the Moose, Chapter No. 242, meets every second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Moose Hall. The regular meeting on the fourth Tuesday and initiation and chapter night on the second Tuesday.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Sylvia May Callis

Mrs. Sylvia May Callis, 94, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Snow, Route 3, at 2:55 a.m. Sunday. She was born May 5, 1862, on a farm in Maplewood community east of Sedalia, the only daughter of Ruben and Sarah Jane Thomas. At the age of five she moved with her parents to a farm northeast of Dresden where she resided until 1928, when she and her husband, Monroe Allen Callis, moved to 421 South Park. They lived at that residence until his death, April 19, 1939, and she went to make her home with her daughter shortly afterwards. She was married Oct. 13, 1881. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are, her daughter, Mrs. Arline Snow of the home, and the following grandchildren, Mrs. Paul Lewis, Mrs. E. L. Seivers, who resided with her grandmother after the death of her mother until her marriage, Melvin M. Turner and Charles E. Snow, Jr., of Sedalia; Mrs. William Peters, Loring AFB, Maine, and Mrs. Attley Bundy, Holloman AFB, N.M., and five great-grandchildren, Martha Seivers, Paulette Lewis, Melvin Turner, David Turner and Danny Peters.

Two children, Thomas Allen Callis, who died at the age of nine, Jan. 27, 1893, and Essie Ione Turner, who died March 11, 1919, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. at Gillespie Funeral Home with the Rev. D. Warren Neal, pastor of the Broadway Presbyterian Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery.

The body is at the Gillespie Funeral Home.

Arthur C. Mynatt

Arthur C. Mynatt, 75, 1204 East 13th, died at 3:25 a.m. Sunday at Bothwell Hospital, where he had been a patient since Saturday evening.

Mr. Mynatt was for several years fireman at the Missouri Pacific shops power plant, from which he retired in 1948.

He was born July 19, 1881, in Lawrence County son of Lynoel and Louisa Ray Mynatt and was married to Miss Maggie J. Friedly and they lived in Texas County for a term of years before coming to Sedalia in 1919, since which time they had made this city their home.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maggie Mynatt; a granddaughter, Mrs. James Callis; and a great-grandson, Mark Mynatt, both of Boonville; a brother, Rick Mynatt of Carman, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews. Two children died in infancy and a son, Leo Mynatt, died Dec. 29, 1935. Two brothers and a sister also preceded him in death.

Mr. Mynatt was a member of the First Christian Church and was a regular attendant up to recently when illness prevented it.

The body was taken to the Gillespie Funeral Home where funeral services will be at 2 p. m. Wednesday, the Rev. R. Lee Kretz, Clinton, to officiate.

Russell Maag will sing "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Land of the Unsetting Sun" with Mrs. Del Heckart at the organ.

Pallbearers will be Charles Richey, Charles England, Ed Mullins, Gordon Lamm, Herbert Young and Loren Hood.

Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

John W. Noland

John W. Noland, 87, a retired farmer and former resident of Pettis County having made his home for a term of years with a daughter, Mrs. Chester Drake, LaMonte, died at 7:25 p.m., Sunday at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Forrest Smith, Archie, Mo.

Surviving are five sons and the two daughters named and several grandchildren. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Earl Keele

Earl Keele, 54, died unexpectedly Monday morning at his farm home on Route 1, near Green Ridge, death being attributed to a heart attack.

The body was brought to the McLaughlin Funeral Chapel to await completion of funeral arrangements.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Charles B. Keele, Route 1; Lloyd E. Keele, 811 West 18th; Norman E. Keele, 315 South Grand and two brothers, Roy and Lawrence Keele, Sedalia, and three sisters, Mrs. Grace Shoemaker, Mrs. Ruth Hillman and Mrs. Gladys Wolfe, all of Sedalia.

Glen A. Hatton

Glen A. Hatton, Little Rock, Ark., former Sedalian and for many years employed in the offices and sales department of the old City Light and Traction Co., here, died Sunday at Little Rock where he had resided for a lengthy period.

Mr. Hatton spent his younger years in Sedalia, he having been a son of the late Mayor and Mrs. F. F. (Frosty) Hatton.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mabel Sands Hatton, also a former Sedalian, a daughter, Mrs. Patricia Mueller, one granddaughter and three sisters, Mrs. Paul Dugan and Mrs. Nolan Reed, both of Little Rock, and Mrs. Thomas Lightfoot, Van Buren, Ark.

Funeral services will be at Little Rock Welnesday afternoon.

Cecil Ray Grimes Services

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Parker-Moore Funeral Home, LaMonte, for Cecil Ray Grimes, Hughesville, who died Friday at Bothwell Hospital, the Rev. M. M. Fronsoe, pastor of the East Broadway Christian Church, officiating.

Mrs. R. B. Burke was in charge of the music.

Burial was in La Monte Cemetery.

Miss Willene Scott Rites

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Gillespie Funeral Home for Miss Willene Scott, formerly of the Lookout community, who died at Fulton Friday. The Rev. Henry Hansen officiated.

Russell Maag sang "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" and "Beyond the Sunset." Mrs. Del Heckart was at the organ.

Burial was in Miller's Chapel Cemetery.

Roy Brown Rites

Funeral rites for Roy Brown, 701 North Grand, who died at the MKT hospital in Parsons, Kan., Saturday, were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the McLaughlin Funeral Chapel, the Rev. H. L. Alley, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating. Mrs. M. O. Stevens and Mrs. George Lovercamp sang "Beyond The Sunset" and "The Old Rugged Cross." Mrs. Mae Moser was at the organ.

Among survivors of Mr. Brown is a niece, Miss Sharon Kay Brown of South Harrison.

The body was brought to the chapel Sunday in the McLaughlin Funeral Coach.

Burial was in Crown Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Rosa M. Lang Rites

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Rosa M. Lang, 59, Monday at 9 a.m. at the Hays-Painter Funeral Home in Pilot Grove. She died Saturday at the home near Pilot Grove.

She was born on Feb. 26, 1897, the daughter of B. and Anna Day Lang.

Mrs. Lang married Joe A. Lang at St. Martin's Catholic Church on Sept. 17, 1918, and was a member of that church.

The Rev. J. W. Jaworski officiated at the services and Rosary was said at the Hays-Painter Funeral Home Sunday evening.

Pallbearers were Leonard, Robert and William Lang, Jr., Wilfred Gerke and John Martin. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery at Pilot Grove.

Survivors are her husband, three sons, Harold, of Tempe, Ariz., Raymond, and Lawrence, Boonville; five daughters, Mrs. Marie Behrens of Watkins, Colo., Mrs. Alice Quilin, Pilot Grove; Mrs. Helen Franken, Tipton; Mrs. Doris Twenter, Pilot Grove, and Mrs. Norma Lee Franken, Kansas City; five brothers, George, Joe F., Henry, William Lang, all of Boonville, and Frank of Tipton; three sisters, Mrs. Fred Martin of Blackwater, Mrs. John Gerke, Pilot Grove, and Mrs. Mary Dueber, Pilot Grove; and 11 grandchildren.

Easy dessert: dried fruit (raisins-on-the-stem), walnuts (in the shell), red apples. Add cheese if you like.

Girl Indicates She Will Return To Folks' Home

DENVER (AP) — "I want to be with my mother," whispered Mrs. Clo Ann Wiegner, 17-year-old bride of five weeks.

"Someone has to take care of me."

In the hospital room where she is recovering from injuries in an auto crash four days ago, the young Daly City, Calif., girl left little doubt she intends to leave her husband Mike Weigner, 16.

Weigner, an escapee from a Napa, Calif., mental hospital, and his wife were injured seriously last Thursday when their car plunged into a gulch as police cars roared in pursuit.

He is under police guard in a room across the hall from that of his wife in Denver General Hospital. Earlier, both Weigner and Clo Ann had vowed their love for each other.

Told of the new development, Mike again threatened to file kidnap charges against his bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mowatt, "if they take Clo Ann away from me."

"She's my legal wife, and we love each other," he said.

The Mowatts, who arrived here by plane Thursday night, said their daughter was taken at gunpoint from their Daly City home a week ago by Weigner and a companion. The parents were bound and left on the kitchen floor.

L. H. Wadleigh, 70, Honored By Parties

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bullard and children, J. W., Cheryl and Loring, entertained guests on Sunday, recently at their home in Warrensburg, honoring Mrs. Bullard's father, L. H. Wadleigh of Green Ridge who was celebrating his 70th birthday anniversary.

Others present were: Mrs. L. H. Wadleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Templeton and three daughters of Hickman Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wadleigh and son, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Smith and two sons, all of Green Ridge.

Mr. Wadleigh was presented a gold pocket watch by his children.

On the following Tuesday, Mr. Wadleigh was surprised at his home near Green Ridge by his sisters, Mrs. Lucinda Procton, Mrs. Alma Johnson and Mrs. Opal Goering of Sedalia in celebration of his birthday.

DAILY RECORD

Future Subscribers

Son to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Klang, Jr., Weathers' Korts, on Monday morning at Bothwell hospital.

Daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. James Gotshall, Route 3, at 2 a.m. Dec. 23 at Bothwell Hospital. Weight, seven pounds, eight ounces.

Daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pool, 104 West Cooper, Dec. 23, at 8:55 a.m., at Bothwell Hospital. Weight, six pounds, one ounce.

City Hospitals

BOTHWELL — Medical: Raymond Bolch, 1846 South Beacon; Willis Davis, Ionia; Mrs. Stella Kelly, 1817 South Kentucky; Mrs. Hazel Vawter, 1006 Crescent Drive; Mrs. Dorothy Lemmon, of Route 1; Russell Franklin, Route 2; William Jaekel, Lincoln; Miss Virginia Sullivan, 313 East Saline; Mrs. Naomi Buchanan, Wilson Trailer Court.

Tonsillectomy: Robert Harrison 243 East Boonville.

Dismissed: Melvin Ohlrich, 1425 South Stewart; Mrs. Clarence Gamber, 1001 South Harrison; John Zahringer, 1606 South Stewart; Mrs. Fred Phaby and son, 1700 West 11th; Mrs. Carl Vickrey and son, Houstonia; Mrs. John Bunch and daughter, Route 2; Mrs. Clyde Williams and daughter of 1820 East Ninth.

WOODLAND — Medical: Mr. Susan J. Maxey, 821 West Henry; Jacob G. Stohr, 700 West Fourth, later dismissed.

Dismissed: Don M. Clifford, of Smithton; Kirtley Salmons, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirtley Salmons, 1021 East 15th.

In Other Hospitals

Mrs. Charles Brant, Tipton, a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital, Boonville, underwent surgery on Tuesday for appendicitis.

Fred Wertz, Sr., supervisor of the Missouri Pacific Shops, remains at Bothwell Hospital, where he is receiving medical treatment and is improving.

Ronald Lee Simmons, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simmons, Hughesville, was dismissed from Children's Mercy Hospital on Dec. 21. He was admitted Nov. 23 for eye treatment.

Accidents

Two persons sustained minor injuries Saturday evening about 6:45 in a three-car accident three-tenths of a mile east of the Pettis-Johnson County line on Highway 50. Scott G. Moore, Knob Noster, driver of one of the cars, suffered a lip cut, and his wife, received a possible fracture of the nose.

According to State Trooper Robert Stockdell, the mishap occurred as James L. Schondelmeyer, 1217 South Kentucky, was driving west in a 1948 Chevrolet coach which was towing a 1953 Buick sedan driven by A-1c Charles R. Evans, of the 340th Headquarters Squadron at Whiteman Air Force Base. Moore, driving a 1955 Buick four-door, was also traveling west and struck the rear of the Evans auto, which in turn struck the lead car.

The Moores were treated at the Air Base hospital.

Extensive damage resulted to the Evans and Moore cars while Schondelmeyer's vehicle received only slight damag.

Moore was issued a summons by Trooper Stockdell.

Both Buicks were towed to the Chamberlain Service Station here by a Chamberlain wrecker.

Warrensburg's City Attorney Succumbs

WARRENSBURG, Mo. (AP)—City Attorney Russell Garnett, 78, died Saturday while undergoing an examination by a physician at his home here.

He was a member of the Johnson County draft board and a former police judge.

Survivors include a brother, E. B. Garnett, Sunday editor of the Kansas City Star.

Optimists Will Meet With Kiwanis Club

The Optimist Club regular meeting Tuesday will meet this week on Thursday with the Kiwanis Club.

About Town

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McKelvey and sons arrived Sunday evening from Canton, O., to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Scott, Jr., and daughter, Decatur, Ill., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Chipman, 1114 West Broadway, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Scott, Sr., Southwest Village, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Friess, 2105 West 14th, entertained with a pre-Christmas dinner Sunday. Guests were, Herbert Long, Pilot Grove, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Long and daughters, New Lebanon, Herman Meisenheimer, Miss Bertha Friess, Smithton, and Mrs. Lottie Meisenheimer and daughter, Sedalia.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Roy Morris, Versailles, were visitors Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. H. Handley, 1421 West Fourth, leaving in the afternoon for Houstonia to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Democrat Class Ads Get Results! Phone 1000.

Police Reports

Police were called to Boonville and Emmett at 6:10 p.m. Sunday where boys were throwing mud over windshields of automobiles and on some cars. Police made an investigation.

Several flares placed at Fourth and Quincy by the Water Co., were run over by a motorist and damaged. Were replaced Sunday night.

A door to the First Methodist Church, Fourth and Osage, was found unlocked by the police at 10:32 p.m. Sunday. A member of the church was notified and locked the door.

A no parking sign in the 300 block on East Tenth Street had been pulled up and laid on the ground. Police notified the Street and Alley Dept. to replace the sign.

Police were called at 10:50 p.m. Sunday to Cooper and Moniteau where two Negroes were reported shooting a gun. Headed south on Moniteau. Disappeared before police cars arrived.

A brief case was found sitting in the alley between Fifth and Sixth, just off of Lamine by the police at 12:55 a.m. Sunday. It was the property of Robert Wesner, attorney.

A prowler was reported at 527 East Howard at 2 a.m. Sunday. Police made an investigation.

Johnnie Rice, 25, Negro, 316 East Morgan, was picked up by the Sedalia police shortly before 4 o'clock Monday morning in connection with a hit-and-run accident at Higginsville. The accident according to the Higginsville police department occurred about midnight Sunday.

He was released on a $100 bond to appear at the Sedalia Police station Wednesday morning.

Police were called to 721 West Cooper where a window in the residence had been broken out sometime Sunday night or early Monday morning. The residence of W. H. Burnham, who reported to officers the window was allright when the family went to bed, but found it broken Monday morning.

Police Court

All cases set for Wednesday, December 26.

Students Home For Holidays at Ionia

By Mrs. Homer Howe

IONIA—Doris Jean Renfrow and Donald Ragar, students at CMSC, Warrensburg, are spending the holidays with their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Renfrow and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ragar.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Ragar visited Sunday with Mrs. Ragar's sister, Miss Grace Woirhaye in Warsaw.

J. Ray Province, St. Louis, visited recently with his sister, Mrs. E. H. Boltz, and Mr. Boltz.

Brenda Lea Craig, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Craig, was christened by Rev. Lloyd Wasson at the Methodist Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Boltz visited Friday with Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Davis and family at Raytown. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Davis and children and Mr. Boltz's mother, Mrs. Myrtle Boltz, who had been visiting in the Davis home. Mr. Davis came Saturday and his family accompanied him home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reed and three children, Kellerton, Ia., visited over the weekend in the home of his cousin, Emmett Boltz and Mrs. Boltz.

Mr. and Mrs. William Duncan, Cole Camp, visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Craig.

Religious Registration

WACO, Tex. (AP) — One-fourth of the students registered at Baylor University here list religious faiths other than Baptist. Baylor is considered the largest Baptist college in the World.

Robinsons-Askrens

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The second place winner in the outside decorations, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sitton, 1100 South Murray, had Santa in his helicopter which had just landed on the garage, lights, greenery and bells around the house and the arbor, and the little house at the side this year has visitors in the living room. The lady of the house is talking on the telephone, the children are playing around the tree, the maid is in the door bringing in refreshments, and this year the family has a television, there is an antenna on top of the house, as well as Santa and his sleigh.

The third place winner, Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Blaich, 1408 State Fair, has a beautiful door with "Noel" on it. Santa and his reindeer with their silver antlers are in the front yard, just leaving the home and there are beautifully wrapped packages he left heaped near the door. There are packages on the lamp post, too, and lights on the Christmas trees and over the house. There is a greeting, too, from the Blaichs.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pitcairn, 1715 West Fourth, is a big old Santa that stands outside the door and waves at anybody passing.

Santa is life-sized, and all over the yard are big candy canes, Christmas trees and lights. This received honorable mention, as did the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lee, 400 North Ohio. The Lee home was covered with lights, there was a Santa on the chimney, Santa's sleigh over the housetops, a big lighted cross was on the top of the house in front and all around were lighted Christmas trees.

In the inside decorations, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rayle, 171 South Summer, had the silhouette of the wise men on the window with the star above, done in black and white winning second place, and Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Russell, 668 East 17th, third place winner, has a very beautiful window with three little white trees with all pink lights and on either side are glass panels also with pink bulbs, giving a shaded effect.

The two receiving honorable mention for inside decorations were the home of Major and Mrs. W. C. Schmidt, 912 South Barrett, which has an effective window of twinkling stars of all colors, three of four stars blinking at a time. Above is the star of Bethlehem. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Guil Flores, Jr., 1703 West Fourth, had Santa and his reindeer across the window led by Rudolph and his red nose.

In the juniors division, Billy Roe of 324 East Howard, second, has two very large Christmas wreaths with big lighted red candles in them, on the front porch. Bobby Madorin, 1425 South Prospect, the third place winner, has a nativity scene in the front yard, and Wesley Voight, 920 East Tenth, honorable mention, has a Santa on the door, lights all around the door and a greeting, "Merry Christmas, to you from all of us."

Among unusual things in the decorations was the Christmas of 1900 with the sleigh drawn by a horse made of cedar boughs very cleverly done. The horse has on a real harness. This is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carney B. Simpson, 804 West 14th.

The red house with white trim at 1600 West Seventh, with red wreaths in the windows, and spotlighted, was commented on by the judges for its simplicity and its look of real Christmas.

There were many beautiful decorations by others entered in the contest over town and also attractive decorations by many people not entered in the contest.

The contest is sponsored by the civic activities division of the Chamber of Commerce of which Mrs. Everett White is director, and Aaron Haller, chairman. General chairman of the contest was Maurice Hogan.

Past Matrons Club Has Supper, Program

The OES Past Matrons of Versailles held their annual Christmas contributive supper at the home of Mrs. J. A. Gorham, with Mrs. Mary Young Brown and Mrs. Harry Bowen assisting.

The devotional was given by Mrs. C. E. Richardson.

A new member, Mrs. Jack Clark, was initiated into the club and presented a gift by Mrs. K. A. Goodman.

Mrs. J. A. Gorham was installed as president by Mrs. W. E. Nelson and Mrs. M. P. Shores. Other officers installed were, Mrs. Claude Dunnaway, first vice-president; Mrs. Ervin Moor, second vice-president; and Mrs. Laura Tising Barbriel, secretary.

Games were played led by Mrs. Paul Uptergrove. Humorous readings were given by Mrs. W. E. Nelson and Mrs. K. A. Goodman. Members received Christmas gifts from their secret pals who were revealed. Everyone also drew a gift from under the tree.

The next meeting will be in February.

Mayor's Order Makes Dogs, Children Happy

TULSA, Okla. (AP)—There are 50 happy boys and girls here today and as many dogs probably even happier. Mayor George E. Norvell granted a stay of execution to the animals as a gesture of Christmas good will. All of the dogs were claimed shortly after the mayor's action.

Flash Fire Sweeps Apartment Building; Kills Mother, Four

MERIDEN, Conn. (AP) — A flash fire that swept a five-story downtown apartment building killed a mother and four of her children last night.

Another child was injured critically while her husband and her 20-year-old son were overcome by smoke. An uncle was badly hurt when he jumped through a closed window just as firemen reached his bedroom.

A policeman climbed dangerously close to flames licking out the rear of the building to rescue nine occupants. He heard others screaming for help, he said, but was unable to reach them.

"It was horrible," said patrolman Walter France. "You don't know how it feels to hear the people screaming and know there's nothing you can do."

The dead were identified as Mrs. Eulia Morales Rios, 39; her daughters, Gladys, 17, and Isobel, 6; and her sons, Eddie Nelson, 4, and Eddie 3. A medical examiner said they suffocated.

The critically injured child was identified as a 5-year-old son, Anibal. The other of the children is a 20-year-old son, Jose. Both he and his father, Luis, 41, were hospitalized because of smoke poisoning. Their conditions were not critical.

The uncle, Albert Morales, 23, suffered a possible fractured spine possible fractured ribs and deep cuts of his feet and legs in his leap through the window.

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Setting a good example, rather than shooting the bad examples, is much to be desired by men in meeting a challenge at Christmas: Safeguarding the Faith of Our Children.

When we consider the slavery and helplessness of hundreds of millions of persons in many parts of the world this eve of Christmas, we are impelled to count our own blessings and to remember some of the things that make life worth while.

Among them are the right to go to the church of our choice; the right to read any newspaper, magazine or book we choose; the right of choice to a free market; the right to congregate with our relatives and friends, without fear; the right to travel where we please and speak as we please.

Are these and countless other rights the end result of our Faith in God and in our fellow men?

Since the time when by the grace of a Supreme Being the first spark of intelligence shone in man's eyes, he has been on an unending search for Faith.

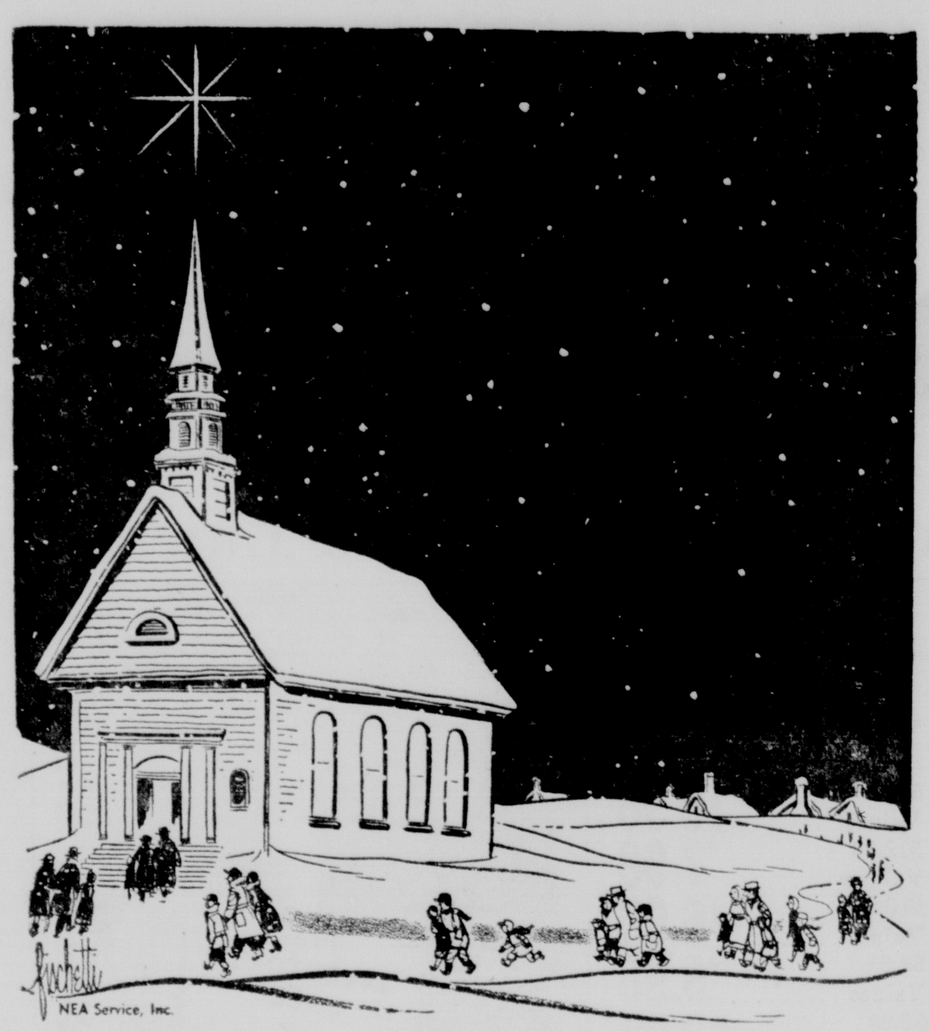
In his search for Faith, the complex pattern of man's life has taken him into a maze of circuitous paths leading to far places and into blind alleys; whereas Faith, like the proverbial diamonds in the backyard, can be found in the intimacies of the family circle and the community.

In these days we are told that we are returning to pagan ways of thinking and living, and that there is a decline in the Christian spirit. We wonder why man's disappointing excursions seeking Faith, especially at Christmas time, has not led him to such places as the Sedalia Police station where Santa Claus in a generous and jolly mood fraternized with 4,500 children Saturday; or to the many Sunday School Christmas parties; or the many places where charity has been dispensed; or to the areas around the Christmas trees where children will be playing Tuesday.

This Christmas season in meeting a challenge to Safeguard the Faith of Children, we can do it by setting a good example.

Man, by setting his own good example, may not only safeguard the Faith of Children, but also find what he has so eagerly sought throughout the ages.

"... For We Have Seen His Star in the East"



Washington Merry-Go-Round—

Igloos Disappear From Greenland

By DREW PEARSON

(Editors Note—Drew Pearson today continues his log of a Christmas season trip through the Arctic. He took with him a group of entertainers.)

SONDRE STROM, GREENLAND.—When you look at the map of the Arctic, it seems as if you could almost throw a snowball from Labrador to Greenland. But it took five hours of steady flying from Goose Bay in a big Air Force Constellation to reach southern Greenland.

Below us were first the trees, rocks, mountain ranges of Labrador, then the open sea-cold, studded with icebergs, little icebergs at first, then bigger and bigger until the sea was all ice-sometimes cracks in the ice, but mostly ice. Not an inviting place to land. You can understand why the Air Force must have bases in this area, why men have to spend Christmas here, many lonesome miles from home.

We flew on. At noon the sun tried to come out, crimson and beautiful, but tried. After a feeble, discouraged glow in the East, it set at 1:15 p. m., leaving us and the plane alone in the Arctic night.

It was warm inside the plane, almost too warm. Below a man could not last more than a few hours, even in arctic clothing. Man has conquered part of the Arctic, has built Air bases, barracks, even attractive churches, clubs, annd gymnasiums. But out on the ice floes and the polar cap he cannot live, and woe unto any plane forced down on that shimmering, cruel, relentless ice.

Sondre Strom is located up a narrow fjord. In the west they would call it a canyon. One thousand American troops are stationed here to fuel and repair U. S. bombers on practice maneuvers, or help Scandinavian Airlines, if necessary, on its polar hop from Los Angeles to Stockholm.

All American bases in Greenland are operated by courstesy of the Danes. If they get tired of us they can kick us out. American officials pay tribute to the fine cooperation of the Danes, and so far relations have been good. American troops are well behaved, though actually there isn't much contact.

There are only 25,000 Greenlanders in Greenland, an area almost four times as big as Texas. Most of the population lives in the extreme South or the East Coast. Center of Greenland is an icecap, in some places 10,000 feet thick. It never melts, even in the summer. No man can live there. In the extreme North, the total population is 360.

Greenlander, incidentally, is the name given to the mixture of Danes and former Eskimos. Actually, there are no pure so-called Eskimos left. They no longer live in igloos made of blocks of ice. But in some cases, modern houses, according to what they can afford.

Polar bears and polar foxes are now reserved only for Greenlanders. No American can shoot them. Nor can American troops have contact with a Greenlander. This is to protect the latter from the diseases of modern civilization. Whooping cough or measles, for instance, can be fatal to a Greenlander. They have built up no immunity. That's why Greenlanders live in communities segregated by law, as far as American troops are concerned.

Rooter for GI's

Sondre Strom is under the command of Col. William Jowdy, a native of Rainier, Ore., but now an adopted Texan. He smokes long black cigars, is proud of his base, and seemed genuinely glad to see us. The first thing he did was try to persuade us to give two shows instead of one. His troops, he said, hadn't seen any entertainment since September, and the theater was too small to hold his 1,000 men.

We didn't arrive until 4:30 and were supposed to leave at 5 p. m. in order to reach Northern Greenland in time for a night's rest, but people in show business are softies. We gave two shows.

Three-quarters through the second show, our pilot, Maj. James Laney of Springfield, Mo., phoned to say that snow was beginning to fall and after another 45 minutes he wouldn't be able to fly out through the narrow fjord en route to Thule.

I cut off Ella Logan before her encore, closed the show, and the cast rushed to get packed. While they packed, Colonel Jowdy took me to see his most prized possession-a plaque awarded the Sondre Strom base as the most efficient in the Northeast air command which includes, Labrador, Newfoundland and Greenland.

"The plaque really ought to go to these boys up here," said the Colonel. He went on to tell me, with conviction, that the greatest asset the Air Force had was the ingenuity of American boys.

"We have to truck our sewage off the base," he explained. "It freezes if we pipe it. And when the motor on the sewage pump wore out, my men concocted a scheme to get along without the extra motor. They ran the truck manifold through the truck, cut a hole in it, and sucked the sewage out like a vacuum cleaner. They can lick any problem if you give'em a chance.

Glass at North Pole

Thule, Greenland—Arrived at this Northern tip of Greenland just after midnight. It's warmer than in Labrador-only 15 degrees below. Yet this is about 1,300 miles farther North and 800 miles inside the Arctic circle. Maybe the warm spell will leave shortly.

Col. Frank Ellis of Covington, Ky., the base commander, told me he had flown over the North pole a couple of months before-it's only a short hop in a jet fighter-and found it rather dull. Nothing below except ice with a few cracks in it and water showing through. When he was there in September it looked as if the water wasn't frozen. Unlike the South pole, which is solid land, the North pole is just floating ice.

I asked Colonel Ellis what the formality was when you crossed over the North pole.

"Do you perform a ceremony as you do when you cross the equator?" I asked.

"Some people throw out a bottle with a message it it," he explained. "Of course, the bottle breaks, and so many people have thrown out bottles that I expect there must be quite a litter of broken glass around the pole."

Got to bed around 1 a. m. We'd been up since 5:30. It's nice and warm in the hospital and guest house where we are quartered. In fact, it's almost too hot to sleep.

Bundle From Britain

As we have come to Europe's aid with expanded oil exports, so it would seem to make sense that we should assist Britain in the financial crisis it faces as result of the Suez Canal blockage.

Already Britain has received a loan of $1,300,000,000 from the International Monetary Fund to steady the value of the pound.

What the British seek next is relief from an 81-million-dollar interest payment to the United States on its World War II lend-lease debt and the huge 1946 rehabilitation loans.

Should these dollars be saved, Britan can use them to pay for U.S. oil shipments required to make up part of the deficiency following from the canal blockage.

Early reports are that key congressional men favor the suggested interest waiver as a means not only of keeping Britain going economically but of reassuring the British people we are still their firm friends.

We must hope that the views expressed by these leaders will find wide support next month when Congress convenes.

Guest Editorial—

OREGON JOURNAL (Portland): **Spelling Is Important.** Some older folk say today's youngsters can't spell.

We suspect there are thousands of other school-age boys and girls whose ability to put the right letters in the right order surpass ours. On the other hand, we have seen some products of our present-day school system who could profit by a little better acquaintance with their spellers and the dictionary.

Something is going on at Franklin high school to stimulate this acquaintance. It is a school-wide spell-down, handled by the English classes. Room eliminations are in progress. So interested are the students that some of them conduct their own little practice spelling "bees" on their lunch hour, one English teacher happily reports. We are told this activity is unique among Portland schools.

Being able to spell is not a sure sign of intelligence or ability to earn a living. We have known some smart and wealthy persons who would flunk a fifth grade spelling test, but we happen to believe that spelling is important, and we hope that what Franklin is doing will inspire an interest in words which will last far beyond the present contest.

Thought for Today—

And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.—Jeremiah 30:22.

Naught but God can satisfy the soul.
—Bailey.

The World Today—

Night Before Christmas at White House

By JAMES MARLOW
Associated Press News Analyst

'Twas the night before Christmas, a time one expects
A gent in red flannels to pay his respects.
He's generous, mirthful, inclined to be shy.
But never forget he's a little bit sly.
For some of the gifts he has deep in his sack
Are things you may wish you could make him take back.
It's not that he's mean. He has lots of regrets
That he can't fill in full all the orders he gets.
The trouble of course with some gifts that he brings
Is how long you must wait before cutting the strings.
A recent example was Adlai who thought
Last year at this time he could get what he sought:
A brand new address, for he had a desire
to live in the White House, then maybe retire.
It's a rather nice place, very large, and rent free.
Not modern, but clean, and with more than one tree.
But Ike was the tenant, refusing to budge.
Yet Santa was conscious of Stevenson's nudge.
It made him as nervous as if he had hives,
Since the gifts that he gave they'd recall all their lives.
To Ike he presented a new White House pass
And to Adlai a sign that said "Keep off the Grass."
The moral in this, if there's one to relate,
Is that many a package gets opened up late.
The same will be true in the year coming on.
Just as it will when the new year is gone.

Thinking It Over

By Robert L. Dieffenbacher, D.D.

On Christmas Eve Mary and Joseph reached their destination in Bethlehem. They were weary, for the journey had been difficult. Joseph sought hither and yon for a room where Mary could have a night of rest before her child was born.

No reservations had been made. The couple was not well known, nor were they famous. They had no prestige nor special influence. They were ordinary folk even as most of us. Out of compassion for the plight of Mary one inkeeper made a bed of straw for the young mother-to-be.

Tonight we shall be so busy with our last-minute chores that we may overlook the need of some ordinary folk. We may even overlook the preparation of a place in our hearts for Christ Himself. Let us be sure there is room in our lives for Jesus!

Looking Backward . . .

The Sedalia Retail Credit Association's regular meeting at Hotel Bothwell was turned into a Christmas party instead of having the regular business session. Henry Fredkin, presiding, presented two popular entertainers, Mrs. Barney Wenner and Mrs. Fred Ross, in musical numbers.

1931

Earl T. McKinney, formerly in the pattern making department at the Missouri Pacific Shops, accepted a position with the Atlas Foundry, Charlotte, N.C.

1931

Ethan F. Staats, Jr., claim agent for the Southern Railway with headquarters at Atlanta, Ga., was here visiting his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Staats, 403 West Broadway.

1931

The Friendship Class of the M.E. Church, South, taught by Mrs. Louis Hoffman, made a visit to the country home Sunday, presenting a program for the residents there and giving each a treat.

FORTY YEARS AGO

On Thursday evening, Dec. 21, the new Bothwell School, District 105, a model one with teacher's residence nearby, was dedicated with a large gathering. The school was made a possibility through generosity of John Homer Bothwell. Addresses were given by Mr. Bothwell and several educators and, during the evening, a sumptuous dinner was served in the basement.

1916

The rabbit hunt that had been announced for members of Sedalia Elks Lodge No. 125, was abandoned on account of extreme cold and instead those intending to participate purchased a large number of rabbits for distribution to the needy.

1916

Owing to an unusually heavy holiday mail and severe cold, incoming trains were running from an hour to eight hours late on the Missouri Pacific and MKT.

Christmas Arrives Despite Money Loss

BALTIMORE (AP)—It looked like a bleak and cheerless Christmas for Mrs. Louise Pleasants and her two young children.

While shopping in a local variety store, someone snatched the mother's purse and the $50 it contained. She reported the loss to police and went home with nothing for the children's stockings.

A few hours later, a policeman stopped at the Pleasants home. Patrolman Earl Potter pulled from his police wagon a large box splitting at the seams with a load of Christmas goodies.

HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS FROM YOUR STATE CAPITOL

Missouri's state capitol building is getting dressed up for the inaugural and the opening of the 69th general assembly.

Ralph McSweeney, state superintendent of public buildings, said the third and fourth floor corridors of the capitol and the stairwells are being given a fresh coat of a semi-gloss paint to cover up the wear of several years. McSweeney said the glossy paint would be easier to keep clean since it is washable.

Also in line with refurbishing the capitol is the installation of handrails on the wall side of stairways. The building superintendent said this was a safety measure for the times when large crowds are using the wide stairways in the capitol.

Schell Construction Company of Jefferson City was the low bidder on the capitol building improvements at $3,672.

Hubert Wheeler, state education commissioner, has announced that the state's second allotment of state aid to schools for this school year, $26,269,391, will be sent to county treasurers on Dec. 31.

Wheeler said the payment represents 36.81 per cent of the apportionment of state aid for this school year. The first installment made last September was 38.81 per cent of the total.

Wheeler said the third and final distribution of state aid for the year will be made shortly after March 15, 1957.

Missouri's "drys", now working as the Christian Civic foundation, have already started a legislative campaign on three proposals.

William J. Setzer, executive director of the foundation, admitted that the organization had sent questionnaires to candidates for the state legislature "to find out how they stand."

The questionnaire asked for the legislative candidates feelings on three proposals—local option legislation to permit elections in counties to determine whether liquor could be sold; a bill to require mandatory tests for intoxication in all accidents in which liquor seems to be involved, and state wide prohibition legislation.

The Christian Civic foundation is the outgrowth of the old Temperance League of Missouri, according to Setzer. He stressed in an interview that the foundation "is an educational organization, not a lobbying group." He said bills favored by the organization would be introduced in the legislature by "friends."

Crossroads Comment

by G. H. S.

John Ryan, chairman of the Pettis County Red Cross chapter, has again issued an appeal for Pettis Countians to subscribe the total of $884 for Hungarian Relief.

The International Red Cross fund is far from the amount required and an effort to stimulate interest will be made in a nation-wide Christmas Day TV program from 5 to 6.

If there is any local response to the program it is suggested that cash contributions be sent to the Pettis County Red Cross, 112 West Fourth street, so that the amount will be credited to the county allotment.

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Mrs. Meyer served a turkey dinner to her guests. The dining table was covered with a dark green linen cloth and centered with an arrangement of pine cones, ornaments and candles.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the home decorations. A gaily lighted Christmas tree, placed in front of the picture window, held the members gift packages.

After the dinner, a short business meeting was held. Mrs. Milton Schlotzhauer read Mrs. Zimmerman's news letter. A letter of thanks from Mrs. Lawson, president of the 4-H County Council, and a letter of appreciation from the Happy Workers 4-H Club leader, Mrs. H. M. Brownfield.

Mrs. William Ashmead and Mrs. Warnhoff held games and Mrs. Ben Vonderahe and Mrs. Meyer won prizes.

A short spiritual program was led by Mrs. J. H. Coleman. Mrs. Milton Schlotzhauer read the Christmas story from the Bible and a shorty written by Mrs. Coleman. The group sang "Silent Night."

A gift exchange followed.

There were 15 members and two guests, Mrs. Ben Vonderahe and Larry Stegner present.

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LaMonte Grade School Presents Program

The LaMonte PTA met for its Christmas program Dec. 17 at 7:30 with Mrs. Paul Steinkuhler turning the meeting over to Mrs. Don Zumsteg. Mrs. Zumsteg presented the program which opened with the first four grades presenting, "Santa Packs His Bag," a pantomime. The narrator was MaryBeth Farris, and the accompanist was Diane Breon, both eighth grade students.

A second pantomime, "They All Came," was portrayed by the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade students with traditional Christmas characters. Narrator was Mrs. Jim Fowler, sixth grade teacher, and accompanists were Diana Breon and Kathryn Richey.

Special numbers for the evening were presented by a quintet from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades, composed of Betty Wimer, Sandra Schenk, Kathryn Richey, Virginia Fisher and Diana Breon. A number was also presented by the woodwind choir of the grade-school composed of three saxaphones and 13 clarinets from the top four grades.

The program was under the directions of Mrs. Don Zumsteg, assisted by the grade school teachers, Mrs. Rager, Mrs. Edmundson, Mrs. Bass, Mrs. Harbit, Mrs. Moon, Mrs. Dyer, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Hughes.

The Rev. Jerry Moon gave the invocation and the benediction.

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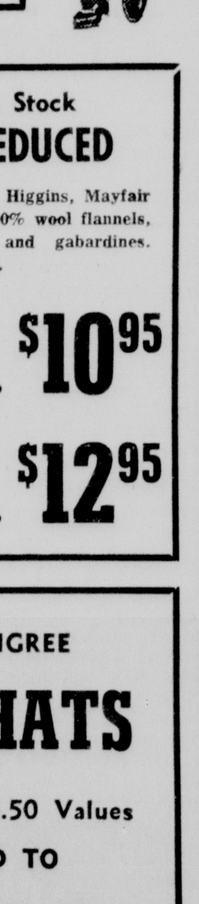

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Best Big 7 Lineup Opens 11th Tourney

By SKIPPER PATRICK
The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The most powerful Big Seven Conference lineup in history will open its 11th holiday basketball tournament at Kansas City Wednesday with Wilt Chamberlain and his Kansas Jayhawks solid championship favorites.

Municipal Auditorim, with a capacity of slightly more than 10,000, is sold out for Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights. Only a few seats for Thursday night remained unsold today.

While Chamberlain, 7 - foot sophomore from Philadelphia, is the biggest single drawing card, the conference is exceptionally strong from top to bottom. The league has a record of 34 victories against 11 defeats coming up to the tournament. Big Seveners have been especially rough on Big Ten opponents, winning 9 and losing 4, and the Pacific Coast, winning 10 against 4 losses. Every team has played above .600 per cent except Oklahoma (2-3).

One of the loop's two undefeated teams, Kansas and Iowa State, will get its record spoiled in the opening two-game set Wednesday. They meet each other.

Kansas, rated No. 1 nationally, won its sixth game Saturday in beating Wisconsin 83-62. Chamberlain dunked in 32 points to make his scoring average for six games 35.5.

Iowa State won its sixth tilt, 85-57, over Wyoming, with reserves doing most of the work.

Colorado was dumped from the unbeaten ranks after six victories, 65-55 by Washington.

Both Missouri and Oklahoma came through with victories. Missouri nailed Southern California 76-69 and Oklahoma beat Rice 64-57.

Taking losses besides Colorado were Kansas State, 85-83 to Iowa, and Nebraska, 78-54, to Vanderbilt.

Missouri Teams Will Play in Holiday Tourneys This Week

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nine Missouri college basketball teams will compete in holiday tournaments this week.

Here's the schedule:

Springfield — Mid-West Invitational at Terre Haute, Ind.

Rolla—Sunshine tournament at Portales, N. M., Thursday through Saturday.

Warrensburg, Kirksville and Drury—Ottawa (Kan) Invitational at Ottawa, Kan., Thursday through Saturday. Warrensburg opens against Kansas City University, Kirksville against Oklahoma Baptist, and Drury against Washburn.

Missouri Valley—Quincy College invitational at Quincy, Ill., Thursday through Saturday.

Culver - Stockton — Muscatine, Iowa, invitational, Friday, Saturday.

Westminster and Central will play doubleheaders at Arkansas College, Batesville, Ark., Friday and Saturday.

The Cape Girardeau Indians won the Rotary tournament at McKendree, Ill., by beating host McKendree College, 69-64, in the finals last Saturday night.

The Maryville Bearcats defeated Northern Illinois, 76-74, in a thriller at DeKalb, Ill.

Basketball Star Fails To Help Boston Club

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bill Russell, who boosted San Francisco's Dons to a record-shattering college victory string and the U. S. team to the Olympic title at Melbourne, has yet to give Boston's NBA club the help they expected.

With Russell connecting on only two of eight field goal attempts and one of five free throws for five points, the Celts lost a full game of their eastern division lead yesterday, blowing a 95-87 decision to the Fort Wayne Pistons.

A last-minute flurry of baskets enabled Syracuse to move past the Lakers 107-99. Minneapolis led 84-83 in the final quarter but the Nats went on a 10-1 tear to pull away. Dolph Schayes of Syracuse was the game's high scorer with 27 points while Clyde Lovellette had 23 for the losers.

Patterson's Fortune Stirs 2 Contenders

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

While Floyd Patterson celebrates Christmas with his family and thinks about a long reign as heavyweight champion, two of his leading contenders will be busy trying to climb up the ladder.

Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson, No. 1 contender in all ratings, returns to the ring after a three-month layoff, to box Julio Mederos, an oft-beaten Cuban, Thursday at Milwaukee.

Willie Pastrano, No. 3 in both Ring and National Boxing Assn. rankings, takes on Charley Norkus of Floral Park, N.Y., on the Wednesday card at Miami Beach.

Jackson won't be on television but the Pastrano-Norkus bout will be carried on network (ABC) radaio and TV.

Even Christmas Eve has a fight with Ernie Durando of Bayonne, N.J., facing young Angelo Defendis of Brooklyn Monday at St. Nicholas Arena in New York.

The scrap will be carried on TV (Dumont) in some sections, starting at 10:30 p.m. (EST).

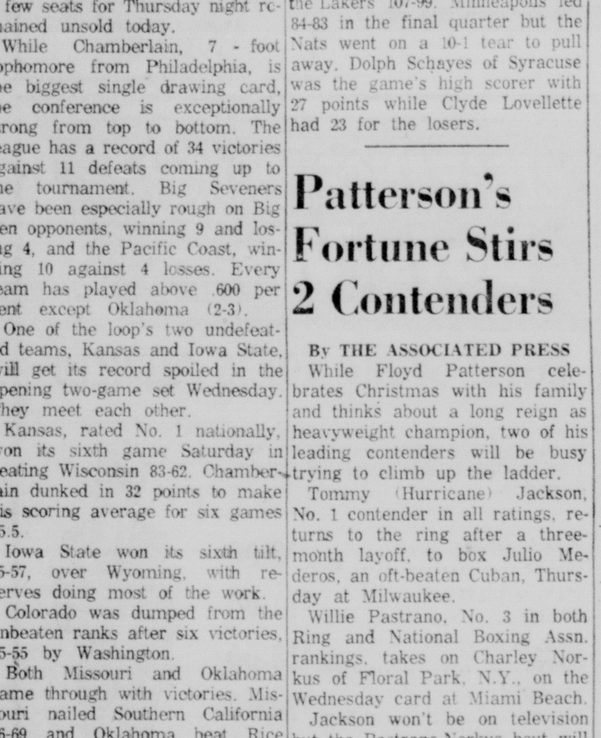
Basketball chases boxing out of Madison Square Garden on Friday so the International Boxing Club shifts operations to Miami for a lightweight match between Mexico's Baby Vasquez and Paolo Rosi of Italy.

The Friday fight has its usual radio-TV (NBC) coverage.

Bob Baker, ranked second among the heavyweight contenders by the National Boxing Assn., boxes Harold Carter of Linden, N.J., in the Garden, Jan. 11 in a match that may be important in determining Patterson's future challengers.

Crowd in Post Office Gives Card to Postman

RESEDA, Calif. (AP) — When 100 persons crowded into the post office here it wasn't a last-minute Christmas rush. They were there to bring a Christmas card to a postman — 34-year-old Maurice W. Breeze, their mailman in this Los Angeles suburb. The card, a giant-size model, was accompanied by a $350 gift collected by the citizens in appreciation of Breeze's services.



OUCH!—Vernon Hatton of Kentucky grimaced as Duke's Hays Clement blocked his shot. The six-foot-six Hatton is a holdover with the Lexington school's New Look. The Blue Devils squeezed by the Wildcats in Durham, 85-84.

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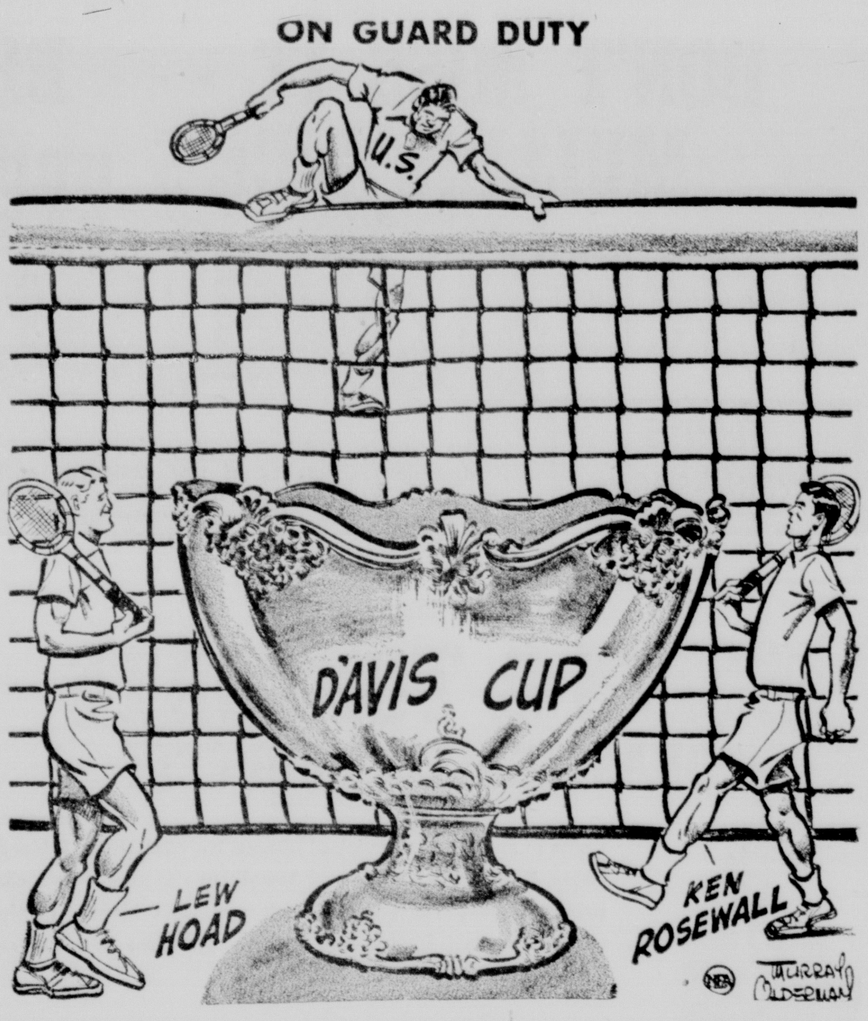

Annual Tournament Madness Will Settle Some Questions

By BEN OLAN
The Associated Press

The annual tournament madness hits college basketball this week and when the last shot is fired these questions will have been answered:

1. Will Kansas and Wilt (The Stilt) Chamberlain continue their drive toward an unbeaten season?

2. Will favored North Carolina manage to escape defeat in the tough Dixie Classic, in which powerful West Virginia and Duke teams also will participate?

3. Is Kentucky headed toward the top rung of the national rankings?

4. Do setbacks by Ohio State and Illinois last weekend mean the Big Ten will not have a strong representative this season?

Kansas, top-rated in the latest Associated Press poll, will attempt to boost its 6-0 mark in the Big Seven tourney at Kansas City starting Welnesday.

North Carolina takes an 8-0 record into the Dixie Classic at Raleigh, N. C., Thursday. This should be the most hotly contested tournament. Utah, Wake Forest, DePaul, Iowa and North Carolina State round out the field.

Seventh - ranked Kentucky pulled one of the surprises of the year Saturday night in beating Illinois 91-70 to win the Kentucky Invitation Tournament. The Wildcats next move into the Sugar Bowl competition Friday night. Alabama, Houston and Virginia Tech are also in this one.

The Illinois setback, coupled with Ohio State's 74-71 loss to Tulane Saturday, left the Big Ten without an undefeated quintet.

However, with Ohio State, Iowa, Minnesota, Northwestern and Michigan State all down for tournament play, the Big Ten has an opportunity to recover prestige.

The Buckeyes will compete in the ECAC Holiday Festival at Madison Square Garden, which opens Tuesday. Temple and St. John's along with Ohio State are rated stronger than the other entries, Villanova, NYU, Fordham, Brigham Young, Niagara, Notre Dame and Manhattan.

Minnesota is in the Queen City tourney at Buffalo, N.Y., Thursday. Northwestern is booked for the Motor City Classic at Detroit, which starts Friday. Michigan State is the "guest" team in the Big Seven shindig.

The Southwest Conference tourney at Houston, which numbers fourth-ranked Southern Methodist among its entries, begins Thursday. And the Blue Grass Festival kicks off Friday night with sixth-ranked Louisville, St. Louis, Duquense and Dayton in the field.

James R. Blackburn Nominated to Society

James R. Blackburn, Houstonia, has been selected for membership in Gamma Sigma Delta, honor society of agriculture at the University of Missouri. Only the top 15 per cent of the College of Agriculture seniors are selected for this honor.

Initiation ceremonies were held at a banquet in Columbia Dec. 17. Guests at the banquet included J. H. Longwell, dean of the College of Agriculture, and other faculty members.

Blackburn is majoring in soils and will graduate next June. He has worked part-time for the University soils department.

Blackburn is a graduate of the Houstonia High School and is an Army veteran. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Blackburn.

Mantle Is Named Athlete of Year In Annual Poll

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—"Just like hitting a grand slam home run in the World Series."

Mickey Mantle says that's the way it feels to be named Male Athlete of the Year in the annual Associated Press poll.

"This is a real big thrill," he says, "the biggest I've ever known off the baseball field."

Mantle piled up almost twice as many ballot points (333 to 168) as his nearest rival Bobby Morrow, Olympic triple gold medal winner.

In third place was heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson. Bill Russell of basketball fame was fourth and the Yanks' no-hit, no-run, no-anything pitcher, Don Larsen, ranked fifth.

Mantle has been in Anchorage with the Bob Hope troupe entertaining servicemen at Alaska bases. He flew back to the States yesterday.

Mantle just about cornered baseball's honors this year. He won the "triple crown" of batting in the American League — the hitting, home run and runs batted in championships. He also led the league in scoring with 132 runs and wound up as unanimous choice as the league's Most Valuable Player.

He was a hero—along with Larsen—of the Yanks' World Series triumph over Brooklyn.

Mary Hutchison Wins Kroger Scholarship

Miss Mary Alice Hutchison of Sedalia has entered the University of Missouri under a one year Kroger scholarship, it has been announced by Samuel B. Shirky, associate dean of the college of agriculture.

Miss Hutchison, daughter of H. P. Hutchison, was chosen to receive the $200 award which is based on scholastic achievement and leadership in school, church, youth or agricultural activities.

She plans to major in home economics.

She attended Smith-Cotton High School.

This award is a part of the retail food firm's $19,400 scholarship program which this year offered 97 scholarships to land-grant colleges and universities in 19 states.

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By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tournaments

U. of Kentucky Invitational

Kentucky 91, Illinois 70 (championship)

Southern Methodist 67, Dayton 59 (for third)

Mc-Kendree (Ill) Rotary Tourney

Southeast Missouri 69, McKendree 64 (championship)

Other Games

South

Vanderbilt 78, Nebraska 54

Miami (Fla) 67, Houston 63

McNeese 82, Southern Arkansas 59

Midwest

Oklahoma A&M 75, Detroit 66
Oklahoma 64, Rice 57
St. Louis 101, Baylor 78
Idaho State 68, Tulsa 56
Iowa 85, Kansas State 83
Kansas 83, Wisconsin 62
Michigan State 92, Marquette 65
Michigan 90, Pittsburgh 75
Bradley 82, California Poly 63
Iowa State 85, Wyoming 57

Southwest

Texas Christian 92, Howard Payne 75
California 70, Arizona 49
Arkansas 93, Fort Chaffee 81
Mississippi 79, Arkansas State 78

Far West

Washington 69, Colorado 55
Missouri 76, Southern California 69

Colorado U. Team Arrives in Florida For Orange Bowl Tilt

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—The University of Colorado's Orange Bowl football team soaked up Florida sunshine today and awaited the call to practice for their game New Year's Day with Clemson.

The Buffales came out of the thin, cold air of mile-high Boulder, Colo., by airplane yesterday into 78-degree temperature and sea level air rich in oxygen.

"This sun feels terrific," said Colorado first string fullback John (The Beast) Bayuk. "The temperature was eight above zero when we left home and there was a lot of snow on the ground."

Buffalo coach Dal Ward told newsmen "We're ready to go."

"Our spirits are high, everybody is in excellent physical shape and I believe we're going to make it," Ward said.

Clemson's team, titlist in the Atlantic Coast Conference, will fly here Thursday from South Carolina.

North, South Teams Hold Last Sessions

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Rival college all-star elevens snap through final training sessions today for the North-South football game, first major sports spectacle of the Orange Bowl's holiday season program.

North coach Duffy Daugherty of Michigan State planned about two hours offensive and defensive work and Vanderbilt's Art Guepe, coaching the South team, ordered more drill in all phases of the passing and kicking game.

The North squad—favored by a touchdown to win its second victory in nine annual games—chose center Jerry Tubbs of Oklahoma and quarterback Len Dawson of Purdue as cocaptains.

Daugherty said his starting backfield would be Dawson at quarterback, Michigan State Dennis Mendyk at left halfback, Tommy McDonald of Oklahoma at right halfback, and Jimmy Harris regular season quarterback for Oklahoma, at fullback.

The North line will include Purdue's Bob Khoenle at left end, Penn State's Jack Calderone, left tackle; Michigan's Dick Hill, left guard; Wolverine John Matsko, center; Boston College's Tony Quintiliani, right guard; Illinois' Dave Walker, right tackle; and Michiagan State's Jim Hinesly, right end.

University of Miami's All America fullback Don Bosseler will work his accustomed spot in the Rebels' backfield, which musters quarterback Don Orr, Vanderbilt; Ed Crawford of Mississippi at left half and Bill Barnes of Wake Forest at right half.

The South's starting forward wall was listed as Buddy Frick, South Carolina, and Buddy Bass, Duke, at end; Art Demmas, Vanderbilt, and Charlie Hutchings, Miami, at tackle; John Barrow, Florida, and Tony Cushenberry, Georgia, at guard; and Mike Hudock, Miami, at center.

Injuries Take Toll Of Rose Bowl Teams In Final Practice

PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—Injuries took a toll of both the Rose Bowl teams, Oregon State and Iowa, as they enter the final week's sharpening work today for their New Year's Day football battle.

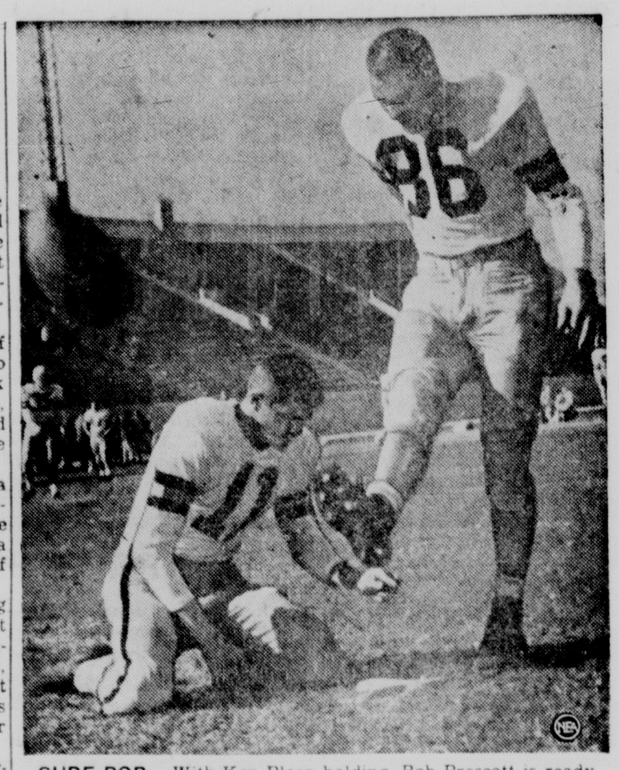
Oregon State's star tailback, Joe Francis, is under treatment for a hip bruise suffered in a rugged workout yesterday when, in a passing drill, he was slammed to the ground by swarming reserves.

If all goes well, Francis should be back in action Wednesday or Thursday.

Another Beaver, left tackle Ernie Swahlen, replacement for All-America John Witte, broke a small blood vessel in his left hand and is under treatment, too. He finished the workout yesterday but has a swollen hand.

Iowa suffered a serious casualty yesterday when second string left end Jeff Langston, 19, Iowa City sophomore, suffered a hip dislocation in an automobile accident and is lost for the Rose Bowl game.

Langston's condition was satisfactory but his loss reduces the Hawkeye depth margin over the Beavers.



SURE POP—With Ken Ploen holding, Bob Prescott is ready to kick points after touchdown and attempt field goals for Iowa against Oregon State in the Pasadena Rose Bowl, Jan. 1.

Baltimore Colts Edge Out Washington 19-17

BALTIMORE (AP) — The Baltimore Colts almost fumbled away a National Football League victory yesterday before taking advantage of their one break in the final 15 seconds to edge the Washington Redskins 18-17.

With time running out, Rookie quarterback John Unitas heaved a long pass downfield. The ball bounced off the shoulder of Washington's Nrob Hecker and into the hands of Colt end Jim Mutscheller.

Mutscheller took two steps and a hard tackle drove him into the end zone for a 53-yard touchdown play that put Baltimore ahead.

The North Dakota basketball team averages 6 feet 2 and includes five lettermen and four sophomores.

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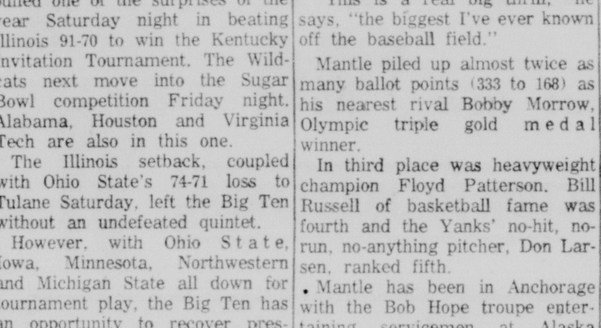

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HAMDEN, Conn. (AP) — The town plan and zoning commission has recorded its opposition to "unaesthetic housing developments with row on row of houses resembling military barracks."

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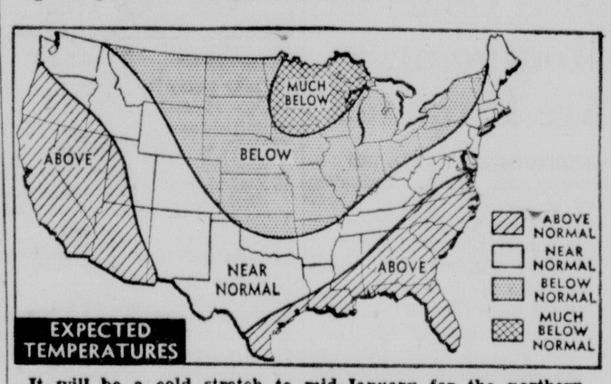
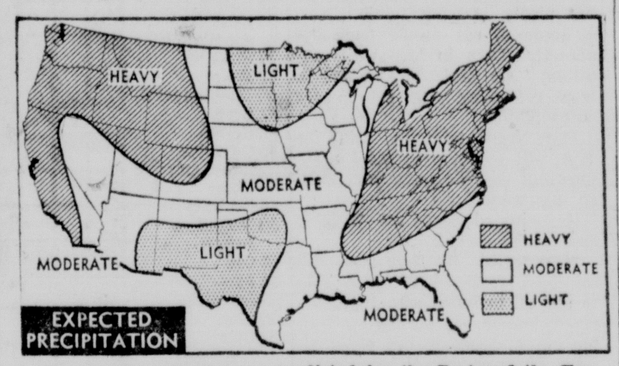
Winter Weatherland---

Maps below give you the U.S. Weather Bureau's long-range forecast from now until mid-January. It is an ESTIMATE of average temperatures and precipitation for the period.



It will be a cold stretch to mid-January for the northern portions of the nation lying between the Appalachians and the Continental Divide. Warmer than normal temperatures should prevail over the Southeast, Gulf Coast and far Southwest.



Heavy rain and snow are predicted for the East and the Far West, with light precipitation expected in the Northern Plains and in the Southwest.

4-H Club Meets

The Eldorado 4-H Club met Dec. 17 at the school with two demonstrations given. One demonstration was on how to properly wash your ears by Keith Allen, and the other was on mixing a plain white cake by Alan Maxwell.

Christmas gifts were exchanged by ten members and ten visitors.

The next meeting will be Jan. 28 at the school.

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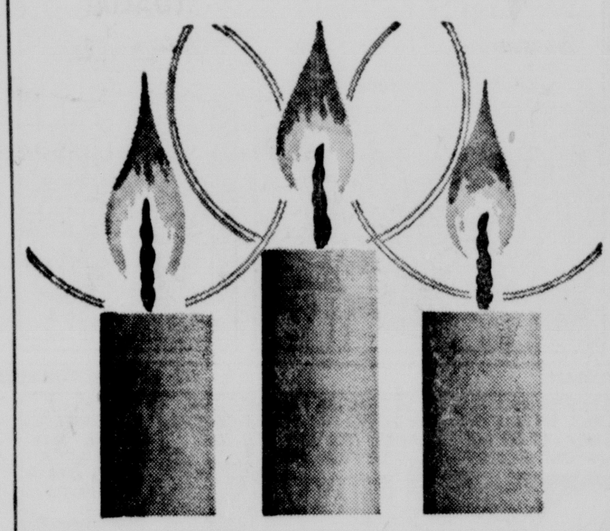

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Mutual Improvement Club Has Party

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Close were hosts to the members of the Mutual Improvement Club and their guests at their annual Christmas party and dinner, Saturday night, Dec. 15, at their home near Green Ridge.

Members of the fine arts department, Mrs. Floyd Egbert, Mrs. Armel Clinton, Mrs. Russell Miller, Miss Gayle Kendrick and Mrs. L .B. Beach, assisted Mrs. Close in serving a contributive buffet dinner.

The home was decorated with arrangements of pine cones and candles suitable for the Christmas season. Small Christmas trees were used as center pieces on the tables where the guests were seted for dinner.

Liverpool rummy was played during the evening. Those receiving prizes were Mrs. Marian McCarty, Loy Smith and Emmett Ruffin.

An exchange of gifts was enjoyed around the lighted Christmas tree.

Members and guests present besides those mentioned were, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Ruffin, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Morrow, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mahin, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hinken, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Harbit, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Acker, Miss Grace Still, Mrs. Marian McCarty, Mrs. Carl Johnson, Dr. H. A. Hite, Armel Clinton, Floyd Egbert, Russell Miller and L. B. Beach.

Bryson Extension Club Has Party, Meeting

The Bryson Extension Club held an all day meeting and Christmas party Dec. 13 at the home of Mrs. Harry Eberting with Mrs. C. A. Ruffin as co-hostess.

After a contributive dinner and social hour, the president, Mrs. C. A. Ruffin called the meeting to order. Fifteen members answered roll call with Bible verse.

Mrs. Hensley presented the devotional with poems on Christmas.

Mrs. Floyd Egbert reported on the sale dinner served in November. Diapers were made to send to Mercy Hospital. Mrs. Ruffin reported on the council and health meeting.

Gifts for unfortunate children are to be brought to the January meeting, which will be with Mrs. Kenneth Botts, assisted by Mrs. H. O. Egbert.

A card of thanks was received from Mrs. Ben Embree for a picture from the club. Mrs. Zimmerman's letter was given by Mrs. Lewis. The club voted to have a New Year's party New Year's Eve at Bryson School.

Mrs. Milford gave an interesting book review, "Reluctant Saint."

Christmas gifts were exchanged by secret pals who were revealed and new pals were drawn.

Mrs. Gus Stewart was welcomed to the club as a new member.

Now Drink This

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Overheard on the Norfolk police radio: "Pick up an intoxicated man on Bourbon Ave."

Receives Promotion

Specialist Third Class Elvin W. Lake, 27, son of Mrs. Alicia E. Lake, Versailles, recently participated with the 18th Infantry Regiment in "Red Arrow," an Army maneuver at Ft. Riley, Kan.

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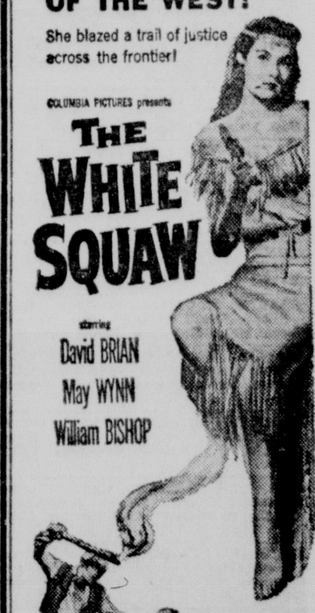

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II—Automotive

11—Automobiles for Sale

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13A—Auto Glass

AUTO GLASS installed. Complete stock. Work guaranteed. Fingland's, 208 West Second. Phone 130.

13B—Seat Covers

TAILORED and ready made seat covers, large selection Fiber, jet spun, Saran clear plastic. Fingland's 208 West Second. Phone 130.

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BOY'S BICYCLE, one 24 inch, one 26 inch. Good condition. 1502 East 12th.

17—Wanted—Automotive

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III—Business Service

18—Business Services Offered

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WASHER SERVICE: Wringer rolls, parts, belts. We repair all makes. Pick up, deliver. Burkholder's, 202 Ohio. Phone 114.

UPHOLSTERING, slipcovers, caning. Draperies. John Miller's Upholstering Shop, 613 South Engineer. Phone 2295 except Thursday.

HOME IMPROVEMENT SERVICE:—Add a room, insulation, storm windows, new kitchen, finish basement, etc., with FHA Government Insured Loan. Payments monthly, one to three years. Call S. P. Johns Lumber Company. Phone 11.

18B—For Rent

RENT A NEW CAR OR TRUCK, drive it yourself. We rent everything. U. S. and Gentges, Inc., 530 East 5th. Phone 2003.

III—Business Service (Continued)

19—Building and Construction

CARPENTER, painting and repair work. Guy Brownfield. Phone 2228.

CARPENTER WORK for home repair and improvements. Phone 3871-W. John R. Middleton, 713 West Second.

24—Laundering

IRONINGS, 1412 South Quincy. Phone 3496-R.

IRONINGS WANTED, 710 East 18th. Phone 3383.

WASHINGS and ironings wanted. 634 East 15th, Phone 6039.

WANTED IRONINGS in my home, experienced. Phone 5711.

WASHINGS and ironings wanted. 902 East Boonville. Phone 1370-J.

WANTED LAUNDRY, Mens shirts, also curtains and ironings. Phone 6934.

BOULEVARD LAUNDRY — 716 State Fair. Washed separately. Fluff dry. Fold. Dry cleaning. Phone 3245.

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26—Painting, Papering, Decorating

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26A—Painting—Decorating

PAINTING, exterior and interior. Sheet rock taping. Work guaranteed. Lester Vansell. Phone 3983.

29—Repairing and Refinishing

HIGH GRADE FURNITURE refinishing. All work guaranteed. 214 West 3rd. Phone 2855-J. J. R. Starkey.

IV—Employment

32—Help Wanted—Female

WANTED: EXPERIENCED WAITRESS over 21. Apply Dan's Restaurant.

WAITRESS WANTED: Must be experienced. Apply in person. Minger's Cafe.

33—Help Wanted—Male

EXPERIENCED MAN, farm work, small family. House, electricity, water. Good salary. Reference. Phone Sedalia 5128-W-1. Harold Schanz, Hughesville, Missouri.

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Parts manager with Ford Dealership experience and ability to organize and direct sales. Present volume is $9,000 monthly. Expect to increase to $20,000 with right man. Good earnings, bonus plan, and many company benefits available to highly experienced parts man. Write, giving complete resume of experience, age and recent photo. Write Box 183 care Democrat.

36—Situations Wanted—Female

WILL CARE FOR INFANTS in my home. Experienced, reliable, references. Phone 1280.

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37—Situations Wanted—Male

WANTED: TRASH HAULING, odd jobs, truck work of any kind. Phone 6821.

V—Financial

40—Money to Loan—Mortgages

FARM REAL ESTATE LOANS. Low interest. Long term. Refinance or buy Federal Land Bank. Perry Edde, Secretary, 335 Gordon Building.

VI—Instruction

42C—Instruction—Male & Female

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at home in spare time. Texts furnished. Diploma. No classes. Descriptive booklet free. Write AMERICAN SCHOOL Box 134, Fulton, Kansas

VII—Livestock

47—Dogs, Cats, Other Pets

CANARIES, guaranteed singers, $5 and $6. Phone 5342-W-1.

FOX TERRIER PUPPIES for Christmas gifts. Phone 1807-W Saturday and Sunday, Weekdays after 5 p. m.

48—Horses, Cattle, Other Stock

LOCKER CALVES, corn fed. Orville Shaw. Call 684 or 5381-R-4.

ONE DUROC male hog, young. F. J. Schenk, LaMonte. Phone Diamond 7-5906.

48B—Milk for Sale

GRADE A HOMOGENIZED and Pasteurized milk, gallon 65c, Half gallon 33c, cottage cheese 35c quart, egg nog drink and egg nog ice cream. Open until 9 p. m. Freese and Rissler Dairy, Main and Prospect.

48C—Breeding Service

MFA ARTIFICIAL BREEDING $6 per cow. Sedalia territory. Raymond Lane, Phone 463 Smithton territory, Richard Bohiken, Phone Sedalia 257.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING, $5.50 per cow. Curtiss Candy Company. Top blood lines at lowest costs. Telephone 5186-M-2.

49—Poultry and Supplies

DRESSED GEESE, 35c pound. Baking hens, $1.50 each. Phone 5274-J-1.

LIVE AND DRESSED FRYERS, baking hens. Deliver on Saturday. Phone 5142-M-2.

BROAD BREASTED TURKEYS, corn fattened, on foot, 35c. Mrs. Fred Harsch, Smithton, Missouri. Phone 1511.

50—Wanted—Livestock

WANTED HEAVY HENS, Phone 141 days or 5832 after 5 p.m.

VIII—Merchandise

51—Articles for Sale

DOILIES, baby quilts and other gifts. 1007 East 16th. Phone 4453.

ANTIQUE SHOP, 804 West 16th. We buy and sell. Open 9 to 9. Phone 1472.

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OF ALL KINDS,
¼th PRICE
2010 South Harrison
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VIII—Merchandise (Continued)

51—Articles for Sale (Continued)

FIVE BRAIDED RUGS, for sale. Make excellent Christmas presents. Phone 5272-M-2.

GIRLS BICYCLE, sled, other articles. Mid-State Storage, 118 North Lamine. Phone 946.

DEER RIFLE Practically new, model "25" Winchester, will sacrifice, reasonable. Phone 4980-W after 5 p. m.

51B—Dead Animals

DEAD ANIMALS REMOVED. Phone collect Sedalia 3033. Standard Rendering Company.

53—Building Materials

300 HEDGE POSTS, good. Phone 5304-M-2.

JOHNS MANVILLE roofing, siding, insulation. Phone 2003. 530 East Fifth.

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119 S. Osage Phone 224 or 2442

56—Fuel, Feed, Fertilizers

WINDSOR COAL and block wood for sale. Phone 5044.

SUDAN HAY for sale. 4 miles North Dresden. Walter Raabe, telephone 5330-R-2.

WANTED TO BUY: Baled Hay. Phone 376 or 2367 or write Box 182, Sedalia Democrat.

WINDSOR COAL, by ton, ½ ton bushel. Block wood by pickup load, ½ load or $1. worth. Phone 5704.

57—Good Things to Eat

COUNTRY CURED HAM, beef and fresh pork. Phone 5288-M-2. Joe Reine.

58—Homemade Things

LADIES HANDBAGS — 3 different styles, hand tooled and hand laced. Phone 2890.

59—Household Goods

MAHOGANY BEDROOM SUITE, complete, first $75. takes. Phone 1451-W.

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EAGLE GAS RANGES. High Quality, low prices, a small deposit will deliver. Hoffman's Hardware.

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59A—Furniture to Rent

SIMMONS ADJUSTABLE hospital bed and wheel chairs for rent. Callies Furniture Company. 203 West Main.

62—Musical Merchandise

NEW AND USED PIANOS: Home electric organs. Shaw Music Company. 702 South Ohio. Phone 684.

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STEREOPHONIC and Hi-Fi custom Equipment. All prices Audio net and wholesale. Free Demonstrations. George's Music House, California, Missouri.

CHRISTMAS SALE, Pianos, new, Mahogany Finish, full 88 note, $475. Guitars, accordions, 50% off. Complete line of Band Instruments. George's Music House, California, Missouri.

65—Wearing Apparel

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66—Wanted—to Buy

WANTED: Good Used Furniture. Phone 2642-J.

GOOD USED FURNITURE wanted. Mindell, 301 West Main. Phone 59.

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FURS: Highest market prices paid. Bring to M. and M. Hide and Fur Company, 301 West Main.

WE BUY SCRAP IRON, batteries, radiators. McCown Brothers Auto Parts, 1400 North Grand. Phone 4012.

WANTED TO BUY: large truck van body or small house, moveable. For storage. Telephone 3591-J.

Rooms and Board

67—Rooms with Board

NACE NURSING HOME, 611 West 4th. Phone 6939. Trained nurse in charge.

68—Rooms without Board

SLEEPING ROOM in modern home, with kitchen privileges. 209 South Quincy. Phone 2778.

69A—Trailer for Rent

26 FOOT HOUSE TRAILER at Knob Knoster. Gas heat and hot water. Phone Sedalia 5288-M-2.

X—Real Estate for Rent

74—Apartments and Flats

2 ROOMS, furnished. Phone 3640.

TWO APARTMENTS, first floor, one furnished. Phone 1494.

2 ROOM APARTMENT, furnished, utilities paid. 820 West 4th.

4 ROOM modern, furnished apartment, upstairs, adults. Phone 4235.

3 FURNISHED ROOMS, modern, utilities paid. Close-in. Phone 6969.

3½ ROOM furnished apartment, private bath. Inquire 905 South Moniteau.

4 ROOMS, utilities paid. Partly furnished, upstairs. Telephone 975 or 3934.

MODERN FURNISHED APARTMENTS, private bath, gas heat. Inquire 1720 South Carr.

FIVE ROOMS down, available now. Adults $50. 302 West 3rd. Phone 6238 or 3870.

3 ROOMS and bath, furnished, all private, second floor. Water furnished. Telephone 2816.

3 LARGE ROOMS, furnished, utilities paid. Adults only. 117 East Broadway. Phone 340.

2 OR 3 ROOM furnished apartments. Utilities. Inquire 235 South Quincy. Phone 4885 or 269.

AVAILABLE JANUARY FIRST, three room furnished modern, private entrance one child. Phone 968-J.

NICE FOUR ROOM unfurnished apartment. 710½ South Ohio. Apply 416 West Fifth. Phone 514.

X—Real Estate for Rent (Continued)

74—Apartments and Flats (Continued)

3 ROOMS FURNISHED, private bath and entrance, adults. 316 West Broadway. Phone 3720-W.

5 ROOM LOWER unfurnished apartment, water furnished, close-in. Inquire 1001 South Vermont.

ONE ROOM APARTMENT, upstairs, 302 West Third, furnished. Working lady. Phone 3870 or 6238.

4 ROOM furnished apartment, private bath and entrance, upstairs. 404 South Hancock. Phone 5947.

2 ROOM FURNISHED apartment, private bath, utilities paid. Child welcome. 923 West 3rd, Phone 1882-W.

4 ROOM unfurnished apartment, upstairs, private bath and entrance. Water furnished. Phone 3947.

THREE ROOM APARTMENT, unfurnished, clean, like new, private, modern, adults only. 1814 East 5th.

CHEAP, TWO ROOM furnished apartment, East Side, lower floor, lights water, gas available. Phone 1301.

THREE, nicely furnished rooms, private bath, utilities paid. Close-in. Inquire 1415 South Barrett. Phone 3386.

3 LARGE ROOMS, unfurnished, newly decorated. Private entrance and bath. Reasonable. Close-in. Phone 2431.

3 ROOM furnished apartment, modern, reasonable rent, utilities included. Employed adults. 709 West 5th.

3 ROOM UNFURNISHED Duplex, downstairs. Adults preferred. 106 South Prospect. Phone 1282 or 4803-J.

MODERN 3 ROOM front apartment, unfurnished, close-in. West side. Adults. For appointment Phone 1174.

5 ROOM furnished apartment, $45. per month. See Donnohue Loan and Investment Company, 410 South Ohio.

NEWLY REDECORATED, 2 room furnished apartment, private entrance, utilities paid. 316 East 7th. Phone 1280.

4 ROOM MODERN unfurnished apartment, upstairs. Adults only. Rent reasonable. Apply Williams Market, Saline and Engineer. Phone 3252.

UPPER MODERN, 3 room furnished apartment, completely private with porch. Adults only. No pets. 1002 West Broadway. Phone 6849 after 5:30 p.m.

75—Business Places for Rent

TWO ROOMS for Dentist, upstairs. 501 South Engineer. Call 1747-M.

GOOD, SMALL REPAIR SHOP, Rear, 412 South Osage. L. C. Corley, 112 West 4th Street, Room 6.

STORE BUILDING, 22½x80. Good loading and parking space. Rent $65 month. 114 East Main. 4885.

77—Houses for Rent

5 ROOM HOUSE, furnished, modern. West side. Phone 222.

4 ROOM HOUSE, modern, unfurnished, on Clinton Road. Phone 1560.

NICELY FURNISHED one bedroom house. Inquire 1904 South Stewart.

UNFURNISHED 3 bedroom house, reasonable. Close-in. 231 South Vermont. Sunday or after 5 week days.

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5 ROOM MODERN, part basement, 2604 East Broadway. See Ira DeJarnette, 1020 South Limit, Phone 6400.

78—Offices and Desk Room

OFFICE SPACE at 1022 South Limit for rent. See Ira DeJarnette, 1020 South Limit. Phone 6400.

OFFICE SPACE, ground floor, 3rd and Lamine. Reasonable. Mr. Robert McKinley, Phone 3000. St. Francis Hotel.

XI—Real Estate for Sale

83—Farm and Land for Sale

OR TRADE, farm for modern home in Sedalia. Call after 5 p. m. 2093-R.

84—Houses for Sale

9 ROOM HOUSE, or trade for smaller. Suitable for two families, close-in. Phone 4187-W.

6 ROOM BRICK home in Smithton. All modern. Inquire 1629 Park.. Or Phone Smithton 20.

TWO BEDROOM HOME, close to school. Shopping center. Owner leaving town. Already financed. Phone 3199.

3 BEDROOM HOUSE, completely modern, Hillcrest Addition, Knob Noster Missouri. Phone Logan 3-2325. J. W. Johnson.

85—Lots for Sale

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QUICKIES By Ken Reynolds

"I should've guessed what I was getting for Christmas—the day she got ALL of that yarn in the Democrat-Capital Want Ads!"

Next Goals In Montgomery Are Proposed

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Schools and public recreation may be the next goals for Montgomery Negroes now that they have gained integrated buses, a spokesman suggested last night.

Less than 12 hours after an unidentified person loosed a shotgun blast into the front of his home, the Rev. M. L. King Jr., president of the Montgomery Improvement Assn., outlined possible new segregation targets.

King said the group which sparked the mass bus boycott still has plenty of work to do.

"Some of our people have apparently fallen in love with protesting," he said. "We've got to stop protesting and go in for reconciliation."

The Negro minister said the MIA will continue to have mass meetings — "We have just started our work."

He outlined these as possible new goals:

"Recreation: We have none, but we must work toward being able to use all facilities with the same determination we worked on with the buses. Separate but equal always winds up with it being separate but far from equal."

"Voting: The more Negroes we can get registered, the stronger we'll be, if a city commissioner or official doesn't please us, we can use our vote in a determining and decisive way."

"Internal areas: We must work within our race to raise economic, health and intellectual standing."

"Education: Here, we are going to lose many of our white friends that helped us during the bus boycott. But still we must have integrated schools as the Supreme Court in 1954 said we can. That is when our race will gain full equality. We cannot rest in Montgomery until every public school is untegrated."

Someone Moved It?

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Don Richfield, chief electrician on the freighter Japan Transport, was full of Christmas cheer as he returned to his ship.

He took a bearing on the gangway and charged on full steam ahead. But somebody must have moved the gangplank. Richfield, 44, made an impressive splash — right in San Francisco Bay.

A longshoreman tossed him a line and a policeman commented that Richfield came up "old, smiling and sober."

Democrat Class Ads Get Results!

What They Wear

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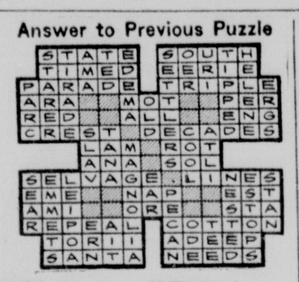
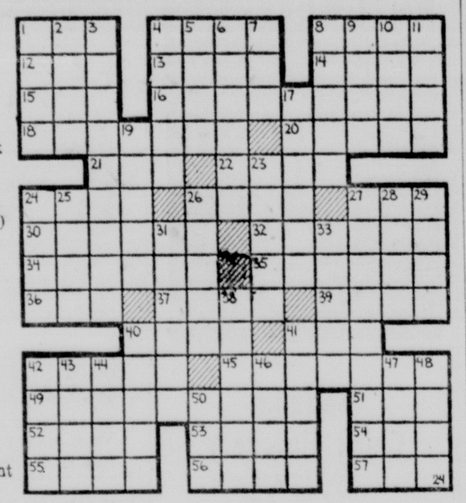
Answer to Previous Puzzle





Green Ridge WMS Has Book Study

Mrs. George Spickert was hostess to the WMS of the Green Ridge Baptist Church at her home northwest of town.

The meeting opened at 10 a.m. with the forenoon devoted to a review of the mission study book, "Japan Advances," under the direction of Miss Nellie Jones. She was assisted by Mrs. Charles Moore, Mrs. George Spickert, Mrs. W. F. Hollnebeck, Mrs. George Chaney, Mrs. Pete Billings and Mrs. E. E. Benz.

A covered dish luncheon was served at noon, and at 1:30, the president, Mrs. Spickert, conducted a business session which was followed by the foreign mission program, with Mrs. Charles Moore as leader.

An interesting program was presented under the theme, "Hallowed Be Thy Name," with the following taking part: Miss Nellie Jones, Mrs. W. F. Hollenbeck, Mrs. Ethel Sims, Mrs. George Chaney, Mrs. George Spickert, Mrs. Pete Billings, Mrs. E. E. Benz and Mrs. Charles Moore. Special prayers were given for those at work on the mission fields.

Hold Band Clinic

A band clinic was held at the Green Ridge High School recently, in which five neighboring schools were represented. A total of 211 high school band students participated.

The six schools and their directors are as follows: Cole Camp, Mrs. Berry; Green Ridge, Miss Lois Jean Behrens; Hughesville, Mrs. Sparks; LaMonte, Mrs. Zumsteg; Lincoln, Mrs. Brady, and Warsaw, Mr. Jesse.

The clinic was directed by Bob Cummings, music instructor in the Sedalia school system. The first rehearsal was conducted at 10 a.m. with two sessions being conducted in the afternoon.

That evening the band presented a public concert in the high school auditorium, playing eight selections.

After the concert, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Jesse and Mrs. Berry played several selections.

Tough Socks?

BALTIMORE (AP) — Mrs. Alys Ritterbrown of Baltimore mends socks on a darning-egg which is really a petrified dinosaur's gizzard stone certified to be 75 million years old.

Youth Loses Legs for Yule Present Price

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — Christmas will not be exactly as 9-year-old Robert Forbes Long had planned it, but his mother will get the Christmas present for which Robert nearly gave his life Saturday.

Robert lost both legs when a switching engine ran over him as he was hunting for bottles in the Northern Pacific railroad yards here. He told ambulance driver Lonnie Nichols he had been looking for bottles to sell "so I could buy Mommy a Christmas present."

He had already collected 16 cents for bottles when he went to the railroad yards. On his way to the hospital, he told Nichols he had lost the 16 cents.

Nichols told the story at the hospital. Someone handed Nichols some cash. Before long police, firemen and railroad employes heard about it, and contributed.

Nichols hasn't revealed how much was collected, but he says there was plenty for a present. And what is left over will provide the nucleus of a fund for artificial limbs.

Dr. J. R. Otto, who operated on Robert, said, "He's a pretty sick boy. His general condition is fair, but he's still critical."

Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Long, has had several blood transfusions. He has been conscious most of the time and recognized his parents at the hospital.

About that present for his mother. Robert's father knows what it is, but he's keeping quiet and not telling. And neither is young Robert.

The 34-year-old father said: "Bobby knows he lost both legs and that he won't walk again for a long time. He realizes he'll need crutches or artificial legs. But he will get along okay. He's got all the spunk in the world, that kid."

Old Age Pensioner Gives $1 for Others

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—It wasn't much but 67-year-old Mrs. Mable Pearson, spending her Christmas holidays in a hospital here, wanted to do her bit to make things a little more pleasant for others. She told a social service worker she wanted to give a dollar to help with emergency needs of others. Mrs. Pearson's sole income is from an old age pension.

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Pre-Holiday Guests In Windsor Homes

By Mrs. Leonard Phifer

WINDSOR — Dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dunn were Mr. and Mrs. Euel Dunn and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dunn and Lynn, Blairstown.

Harold Fridley, Eldon, spent the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fridley.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Randsell, Lincoln, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Lora Davis.

Miss Pam Douglas and Miss Mary Estelle Rushford of Maine are here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hopkins and family spent Sunday in Blairstown with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hopkins.

Harold Bowen, of Harrisonville, spent the weekend here with relatives.

Etta Jean White, Kingsville, returned to her home in Kingsville, Tuesday after visiting a few days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McClung, and her uncle, Elmo.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Wilhelmson and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Kuhn, Harrisonville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Harbit.

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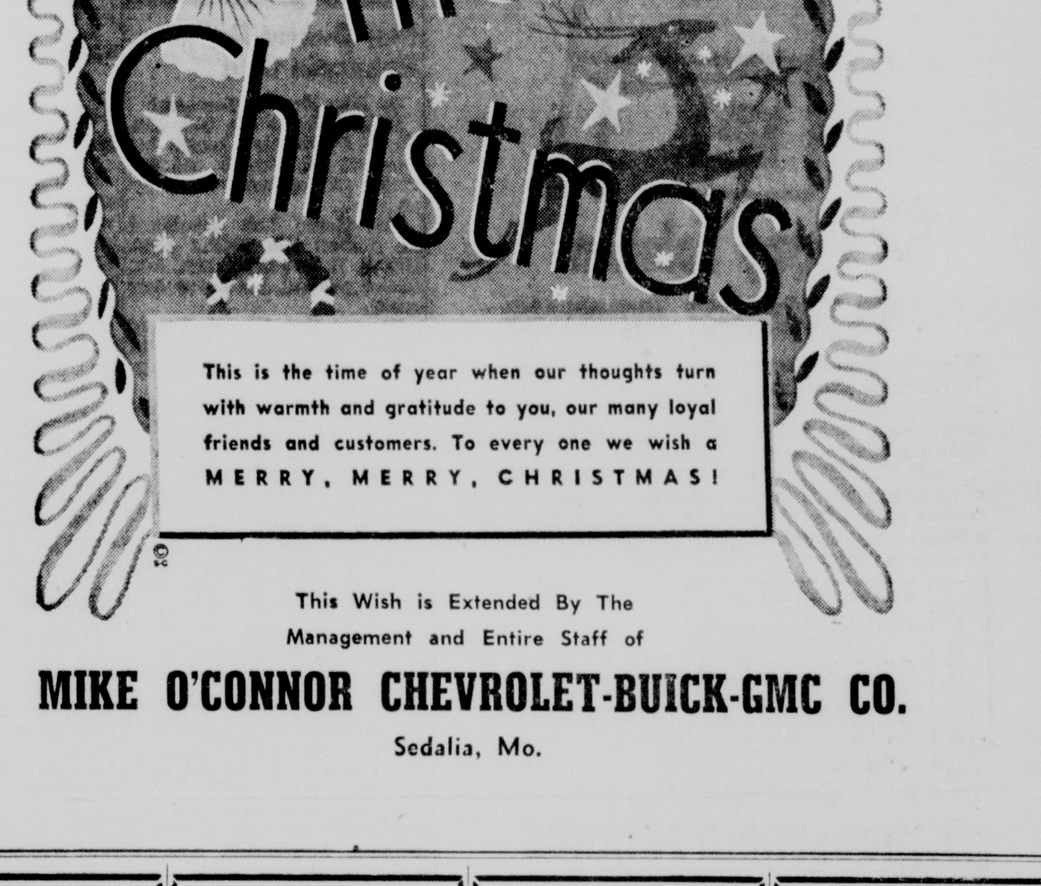

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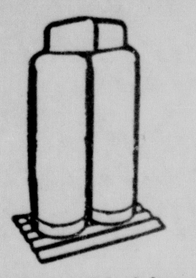

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The Nativity scene was shown on the screen by the Rev. N. O. Wetherell.

Bobby Clemens, who will celebrate his 13th birthday on Christmas Day, was surprised when C. H. Ernstmeyer presented him a large, decorated birthday cake with lighted tapers. Mr. Ernstmeyer had made candy which was passed to all present. Refreshments were served.

The club recently received the state award of $20.00 in recreation. Bobby Clemens received the state award for demonstrating the making of compost.

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Youth Exchange Program—

Former Pettis Countian Ends Three Month Stay in India

(Ed. Note: This is the last in a series of letters from India written by Miss Marilyn Anderson, former apprentice county home agent in Pettis County and a student at the University of Missouri. She has spent three months in India as part of the International Foreign Youth Exchange program, and her previous letters have described life and customs there.)

My three short months in India have come to a close now. On the night of Dec. 7 we ten IFYEs said goodbye to all our new Indian friends and the Indian IFYEs who had just returned from United States at the airport in Bombay.

Looking out the plane window as we taxied out to the runway, I thought how unbelievable dear and close these people and their land had become to us all in our short stay.

The Indian IFYEs said they learned the value in the dignity of labor and value in our democratic principles in everyday life. Through the intense pride of the Indian people for their country I have learned to have the same proud heritage for my country as well as there.

Touring Europe in the winter time is somewhat inconvenient, but during the 18 days we have visited England, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland and France. Getting to see Pope Pius X in St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome last Sunday was a highlight of our stay in Italy, but it almost caused Angele and me to miss our bus to catch the plane to London. Millions of people crowded the cathedral just for a glimpse of the Pope and we were caught in the crowd. Luckily, our IFYE Sister packed our bag for us and kept the bus waiting.

We hope to be spending Christmas in Germany or France. It would mean so much to be with a family, so some may hear us knocking on their door Christmas Eve.

I wish to extend Christmas greetings to you all from my last families of India, all the Indian IFYEs and myself.

Around the 9th of January I will be home in person to begin my greatest task of creating the true and sincere understanding between you all and the Indian people I have just left.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

New Owners For Houstonia Cafe

By Miss Mary E. Tevebaugh

HOUSTONIA — Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dennis have bought the Houstonia cafe from Mr. and Mrs. Parker Charles and are now operating it.

Mrs. Claude Nutt entertained the contract club Friday night. Mrs. G. H. Tevebaugh, Mrs. John Rissler and Mrs. Lee Ladow were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lowrey and Elaine spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. McCubbin and family, Harrisonville.

Mrs. Tommy Knight and two children are at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Wicker. Mrs. Knight and children are moving to Sedalia while her husband will be stationed in Greenland for two years.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Leonard Ford's mother in Oregon. Mrs. Ford went to Oregon to be with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Funk, Dresden, and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dotson and son, Sedalia, spent Sunday with Mrs. Hieronymus.

Mrs. Jessie Schoeber is spending Christmas with her sister Mrs. L. L. Crews and her niece, Mrs. James Blackburn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurbert Stone and three children, LaMonte and Glen Shepherd, Warrensburg, spent Sunday in the Lon Stone home and helped celebrate Mrs. Stone's birthday.

Mrs. J. E. Hand spent several days in Kansas City. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hood and David spent the weekend in the Hand home.

Busy Stitchers Meet, Have Turkey Dinner

The Busy Stitchers Club held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Whitlow, Smithton, Route 1, with the ladies assisting as hostesses. A turkey dinner was served to club members and their families.

The home was decorated in keeping with the Christmas season with a tree. Secret pals were revealed in the gift exchange.

Games were played with prizes going to Orlo and Edith Richardson and Judy Whitlow.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Fred Royster, with the new president, Della Baugh, in charge.

Church Class Elects Officers for New Year

The Westminster Sunday School Class of the Otterville Presbyterian Church met at the church for its Christmas party.

During the short business session conducted by the president, John Glenn, officers for the new year were elected as follows: John Glenn, president; Mrs. Danny Glenn, vice-president; Mrs. D. B. Mayfield, secretary-treasurer, and class teacher.

The devotional was given by the pastor, the Rev. R. W. Firkin.

Miss Norma Schlobohm, Tipton, director of Christian education, showed a film before the gift exchange.

Homemakers Meet With the Mitchells For Christmas Party

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mitchell were hostess to the Tebo Homemakers Extension Club of near Windsor for its annual Christmas party with 16 members and their husbands and 17 visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Avery, Mr. and Mrs. Logan Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Oden Long, Ben Harris, Mrs. Guy Schweere, Miss Helen Harris, Miss Anna Askins and Susie Crawford, present.

At noon a contributed dinner was served.

The afternoon meeting opened by singing, "Joy to the World." The devotional subject, "The Child's Birth," was given by Mrs. J. W. Bradley followed by prayer by Mrs. M. L. George and the singing of "Silent Night."

Roll call was answered by a Christmas poem or reading. The collection of pennies for the American Bible Society, who print Bibles in different languages for other countries, amounted to $5.50.

Mrs. Bradley thanked the club for the basket of fruit juices sent her for Thanksgiving.

A potted plant was sent to Mrs. Homer Stoutimore, a member who is in the hospital. Mrs. Chipman gave a report of the radio program that she, Mrs. Harry Redford and Mrs. Allen Titsworth gave Dec. 8. Meeting closed by singing, "Come All Ye Faithful."

Santa came and Susie Crawford helped distribute the gifts that were under the Christmas tree.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. Rolla Askins, all day Jan. 22, with a covered dish lunch.

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Past Noble Grands Hold Dinner Meeting

The Past Noble Grand Club of Meadow Queen Rebekah Lodge of Windsor met for its regular Christmas party and contributed turkey dinner Tuesday evening, Dec. 18, with 15 members and 23 visitors present.

After dinner gifts were distributed and each one found out who their secret pal was for the year. The group was entertained by young boys and girls who sang songs and gave recitations.

Mr. and Mrs. John Denny of Liberal, were guests.

The business meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Moore. These new officers were elected: Mrs. Chessie Elliott, chairman; Mrs. Nellie Donnell, vice-chairman, and Mrs. Edith Lea, secretary and treasurer. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Pauline Saxton Jan. 15, when initiation of new members and installation of officers will be held.

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Home for Holidays

Two students at Maryville College of the Sacred Heart, St. Louis arrived home December 19, for the Christmas holidays. Miss Barbara Lamy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Lamy, 619 West Third, and Miss Patricia Menefee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Menefee, 623 West Fourth. Miss Lamy, a junior at Maryville, is assistant editor of "The Gong", publication of Maryville College. Miss Menefee is a freshman.

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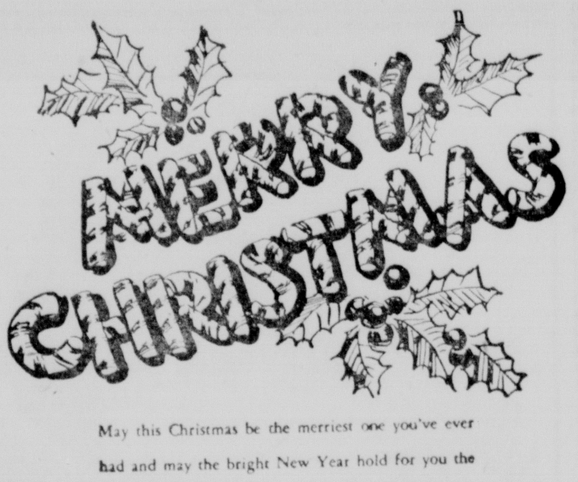

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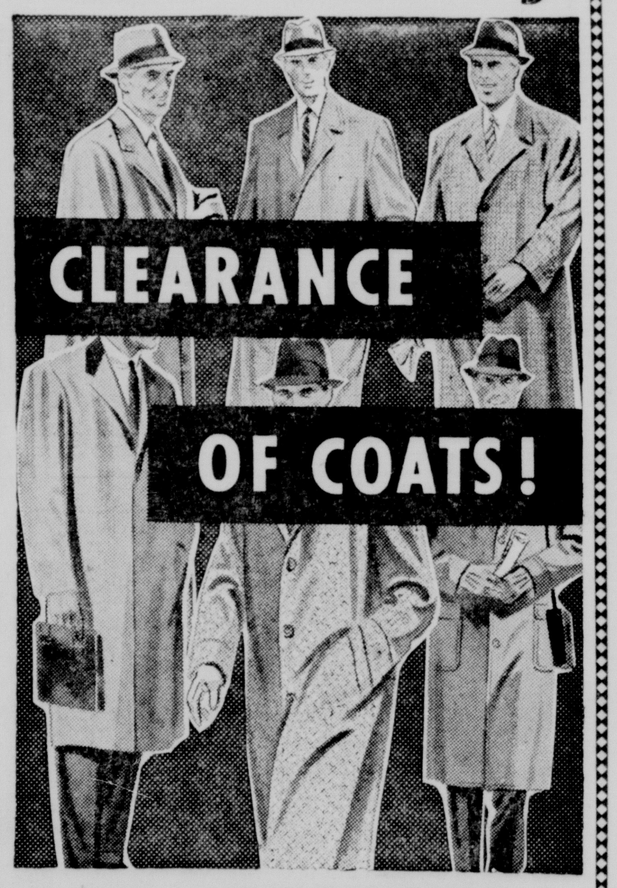

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The Faith of Children

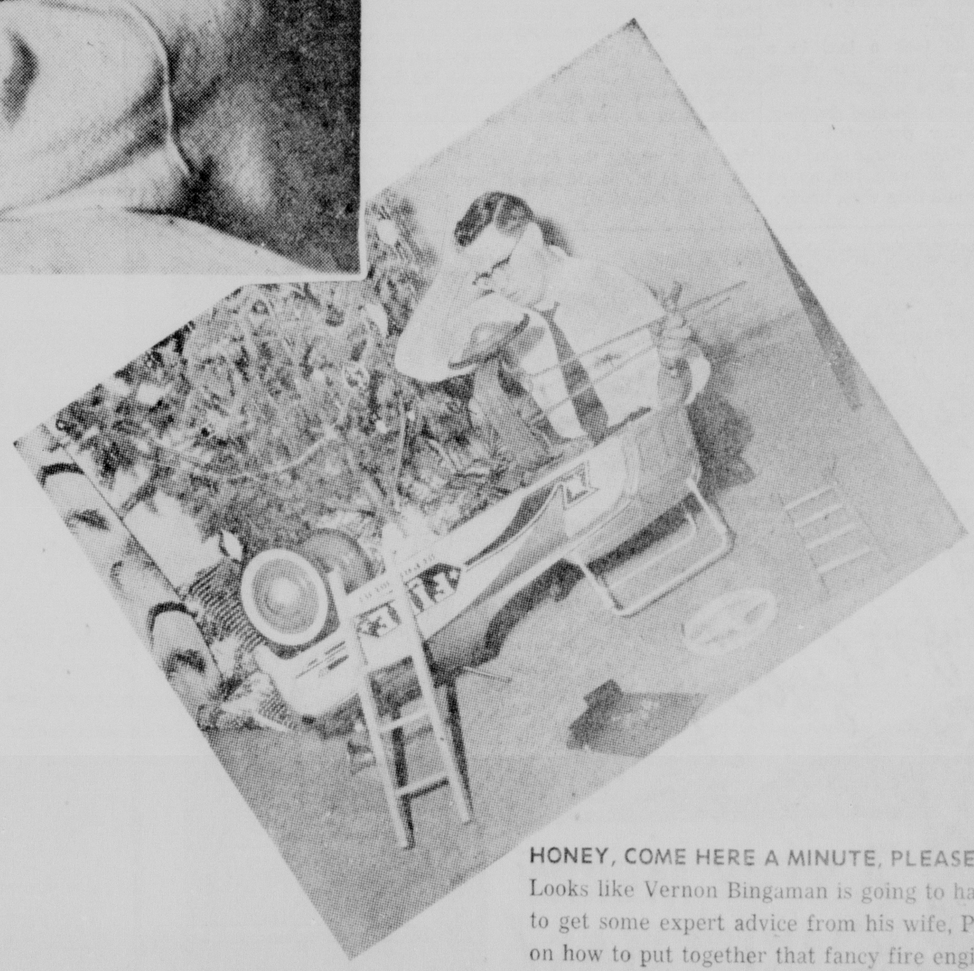
When Youngsters Express Their Yuletide Hopes In Simple Prayer

QUIT CHOKING! — Can't you hear M. E. "Dusty" Rhoads, Jr., begging for relief from his "helpers"? They're Rhonda and Jaynee, his two youngsters, and despite the hopelessness of this scene, the tree was successfully lighted. For more about Christmas with the Rhoadses, turn to Page 4 of this section.

TIME TO PRAY—Gregory, left 4½, and Carol, 2½, kneel at their bedside in the James N. Bilyeu home at 505 Sunset, to give thanks for a wonderful day and let it be known that their house is pretty nice to rest in, just in case someone should happen to be passing by on a trip from the top of the world. Their story is on Page 4 of this section.

WHAT DO YOU THINK, DEAR?—But Mrs. R. L. Cummings won't get any answer from her husband because the packages bought on their last-minute shopping rush have cut off his loudspeaker. Christmas is a big event for them and their daughter, Rosemary, as you'll find out by turning to Page 2 of this section.

MOM, WHO'S THE GUY WITH THE CAMERA? — Sorry, Gary, but Mom (Mrs. E. F. Howard) doesn't dare speak or that ribbon will get away from her as she hurries to get all the wrapping done before Christmas. Gary's brother, Bill, preferred to help the cameraman. The Howards' story is on Page 2 of this section.



HONEY, COME HERE A MINUTE, PLEASE— Looks like Vernon Bingaman is going to have to get some expert advice from his wife, Pat, on how to put together that fancy fire engine for his youngsters. Being a Christmas Eve mechanic can be a real challenge. But the Bingamans made it, and the proof is a story on Page 2 of this section.

Parents Welcome Opportunity to Lend Strength to Their Young

Real-Life Stories of Sedalia Families at Christmas Will Be Found Inside This Section

The Boys Have Their Own Tree—

Santa Gets a Treat At the Howard Home

Bill Howard likes to take things apart. He is really not so good at getting them back together, but there just isn't anything he can't take apart—the door knobs, he faucets, and, very recently, the rocking horse. He calls the rocking horse Whimsie, and so, after he took it apart Whimsie "ran away." Bill was very unhappy without Whimsie and his mother told him that the rocking horse was mad because he took him to pieces and he wasn't coming back until Bill promised never to take him apart again. So Bill promised and he was so happy when Whimsie came back.

Getting ready for Christmas is really something with the boys. Mother would never make it without them, because after all, daddy has to work and can't help her. He is office manager down at the Goodyear Service Store, so the boys help with everything such as making cookies. They have their own little rolling pin and other utensils.

"Of course," says Phyllis, "things are in a mess by the time we get through, but it's fun." (See photograph on Page One of this section.)

Christmas Eve, according to Bill, is a time when they do something special. "Something special" is when the family does something they don't do all the time, such as when mother goes to sorority and Bill and Gary and Daddy eat together and do special things that night. Well, on Christmas Eve the something special is to have hot chocolate and cookies before they go to bed. Then they leave some cookies for Santa, and the next morning when they get up there are all the toys, and the cookies are gone. Santa probably takes off his boots, makes himself a cup of hot chocolate and sits down to eat Bill's and Gary's cookies for something very special too, on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Eve this year should be real fun for the Howards, but they like December anyway. After all, there is not only Christmas, but also their wedding anniversary, which is Dec. 22. They have been married five years.

Last year Bill had his own Christmas tree, but this year he and Gary will have one in partnership, because Gary will be two years old in January.

Bill and Gary are native Sedalians, even though their parents are from Indianapolis. It used to be that Phyllis and Ed Howard went each year to Indianapolis where they had a big Christmas at the home of her parents. Her brothers and sisters and grandparents gathered there, too, for the happy time. But moving to Sedalia changed things with Phyllis and Ed. The distance was too far from Sedalia to Indianapolis to go home at Christmas time, so the three years they have been here they have had Christmas at their own home and that's where they will have it again this year, at 200 South Gentry. There was something else that changed Christmas for the Howards in those three years, too—those two little boys, Bill and Gary, who arrived just 13 months apart.

So this year, since Gary knows a little bit more about Christmas trees, it will be a little tree for the two little boys to decorate and do with as they please. Last year Bill dragged the tree all over the house trying to find a place to put it.

Of course there is always a big Christmas tree with lights and shiny balls, but the two little boys are told that that is Daddy's tree and they are not to touch it. They never touch any thing that is Daddy's own property.

But their little tree, their very own little tree, they may decorate as they please and do with what they please. Mommy helps them get their decorations ready, the foil balls, the big package stickers stuck together with a string between and jingle bells that make such a nice jingling noise, then they put them on as they like. It is really the most beautiful tree in the world (much prettier than Daddy's).

New Bicycle Gadgets Are Always a Hit

AP Newsfeatures

Traditional Christmas gifts for boys are electric trains and bicycles, time worn ideas but like dolls for girls they are always sure-fire hits. More than a million boys and girls find shiny new bikes under their Christmas trees every year. Nowadays too, just as Sis gets a new wardrobe for a favorite doll at Christmas, a boy who owns a bicycle is likely to find brand new accessories for it under the tree.

There is an enormous assortment of bicycle accessories available including a dozen different types of warning devices, colored tires, saddle bags, luggage carriers, plastic and wire baskets, speedometers and built-in locks.

Special snow tires are made for the youngster who uses his bike to get to school in winter months.

The one mistake a parent may make shopping for that new bike is getting the wrong size. It's a good thing to remember that all American bikes come in four basic sizes depending on the diameter of the wheels. A youngster of from 3½ to 5 should have a 16-inch bike with "outrigger" wheels that can be removed when she, or he, learns balance. A 20-inch bike is considered the proper size for youngsters from 5 to 7. Eight to 10-year-olds will be happy on a 24-inch bike. Children 11 and up may take a full-scaled 26-inch bicycle.

The new "middleweight" bike, a cross between a racer and the standard balloon tire model is popular. It has a light frame with coaster brake. Maintenance and repair costs are at a minimum because parts for these American bikes are available in every community.

No Gratitude

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP)—A visitor to Oklahoma City complained to police he was "taken for a ride" by a taxi-driver.

He said he took a taxi to a nightclub, then invited the driver to join him in a drink.

After they had finished drinking, the cab driver demanded $8.95. The driver claimed that was how much time had been run up on the meter while they were inside.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL REVIEW — Architect's sketch shows the reviewing stand erected in front of the White House for the inaugural parade in January. President Eisenhower, Vice President Nixon and their wives will be seated front, center, with Cabinet members and other high government officials in the other seats.

And Pop Struggled With Tree—

Vernon Bingamans Have 3 Christmases

"We have three Christmases," said Pat Bingaman, "one with my folks, one with his folks and one of our own."

Things really hum before the holidays and that is the only time of year that Vernon has the urge to cook. He likes to make Christmas cookies and he really gets the Christmas spirit.

The tree goes up early, although it nearly comes down a number of times when Stevie, 16 months, and enchanted by it, grabs the low branches and pulls.

On Christmas Eve, Pat and Vernon pack the trunk of their car with gifts, bundle Becky Ann, 3½ years old, and Steve, up and the Bingamans get in the car and head for Mission, Kan., where Pat's folks live. But before they go, there are a dozen things to do. Pat finishes, in a hurry, the wrapping of Christmas gifts and her last cookie baking while Vernon tries to help Santa by putting one of those toys together for which you try to follow instructions and get deeper and deeper in trouble. (See photograph on Page One of this section.)

In Mission, Kan., Pat's entire family of brothers and sisters and nieces and nephews show up at the home of their parents just like the Bingamans and there the tots find Christmas gifts from everybody. It is a big time. Then the children go to bed and all of the grownups in the family go to midnight mass together. It is about 3 o'clock in the morning before they return home and then there is Christmas breakfast. When breakfast is over, the gifts are passed out and there is fun opening everything. By then it is time for Vernon and Pat and their youngsters to get ready to come back to Sedalia, but when they get here, they don't go home — they go to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bingaman, where they have Christmas and Christmas dinner with his family and there are more gifts for all the family and the babies are thrilled over the wonderful toys.

Then comes afternoon and Pat and Vernon take their little youngsters and go back to their own home, 1813 East Broadway. After all that you would think that Santa might have been a little confused and wouldn't know where to find Becky Ann and Steve when he was out on his journey Christmas Eve, but he knows just exactly where to leave the gifts because Christmas afternoon that is where they will find them. Smart old guy, that Santa Claus. There will be the baby doll that Becky Ann but not the new Dodge car—Santa couldn't get it down the chimney or through the door, so he just scratched it off the list. But he will leave the record player for her. For Steve there will be a rocking chair and a dump truck and all this under the tree that they helped to decorate in an unhelpful sort of way. Yes, sir, Santa sure knows all about little girls and boys and just where to leave their toys.

Pat and Vernon have been married six years last June. They met in Kansas City on 59th Street, said Pat, when Vernon was going to Paseo High School and Pat to Bishop Hogan's High School. She worked in a drug store after school and they were both dating somebody else when they met, but they both knew this was it, and so they started to going together and married. They have lived in Sedalia four years and Vernon is manager of the Bing's Super Market on East Broadway.

"We just love Christmas," said Pat.

But He's Never Missed Yet—

Santa Has to Go Far To Catch One Family

Rick, who is 2½ years old, can hardly wait for Old Santa's visit. For days now he has had his sock hung up on the dresser but so far the old man in the red suit has left not a thing. Rick hopes Santa knows he won't be in Sedalia on Christmas Eve, but in Nortonville, Kan. Lorie, two months old, isn't giving it a thought. She really isn't interested in whether Santa finds her or not.

Rosemary and Richard Cummings, Rick and Lorie's mother and daddy, both grew up in Nortonville, Kan., and have been in Sedalia a little over a year. Richard is district manager for the Skelly Oil Co., and the couple has been married six years.

Rosemary and the children went early to Nortonville where her parents live and where Richard's aunt and uncle, who raised him, also live. On Sunday, Dec. 23, Richard went there, too, and there will be a big Christmas dinner at the home of Rosemary's parents, with turkey and all the trimmings. All of her brothers and her sister and their families will be there for the whole day. Last year the one brother who is not married and is in service couldn't get home, but he will be there this year.

There will be lots of activities during Christmas week for Rosemary and Richard — parties, parties, parties — and they expect to have a wonderful time. It is nice to be home and spend Christmas.

Santa always puts the things under the tree Christmas Eve, and Christmas morning everybody has a grand time opening gifts. Paper and ribbon is scattered everywhere. There are always some things Rosemary and Richard forget to buy and have to get Christmas Eve, of course. (See photograph on Page One of this section.) But, like Santa, they are always all set Christmas morning. Rick's enthusiasm increases by the minute. He goes around in a daze.

Being at grandmothers, so many people, the tree and the excitement of expecting Santa on Christmas Eve — he can hardly wait. The main thing he wants is a filling station — thinks maybe he might as well start early and get in his dad's business. Santa really means something to him.

His mommy would like for Santa to bring her an electric dryer but if he brings her a new coat, that is all she will ask.

When Christmas week is over, Richard and Rosemary and Rick and little Lorie will be coming back to Sedalia to their home at 2400 North Woodlawn Drive with lots of gifts and new toys and memories of a grand Christmas spent in Nortonville. Rick will be satisfied that Old Santa found him, and this year Lorie will coo over her new rubber doll and the rattle with bells, but she won't ever guess that Santa brought them, too.

Carving A Niche

MERRILL, Wis. (AP) — Here's another unusual occupation. S. G. Browman makes and sells totem poles.

International Flavor

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — When the St. James Episcopal Church decided to hold an "international bazaar", it didn't have to settle for imitations.

Ten foreign born women — all members of the church — cooked up dishes favored in their former homelands of Scotland, Ireland, France, New Zealand, Iceland, Australia, Germany, Holland and Japan.

Lots Of Stuffing

Louisville, Ky. (AP) — Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Kremer had to rent a lodge when they invited relatives to celebrate Thanksgiving with them.

Their own modern home didn't provide enough elbow room for the Kremers, 12 children and 28 grandchildren.

"Merry Christmas Neighbors"

To all our many friends and neighbors, may your Christmas be filled with good cheer! May the New Year bring you all success and happiness!

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at CHRISTMASTIME!

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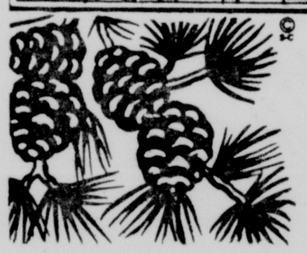

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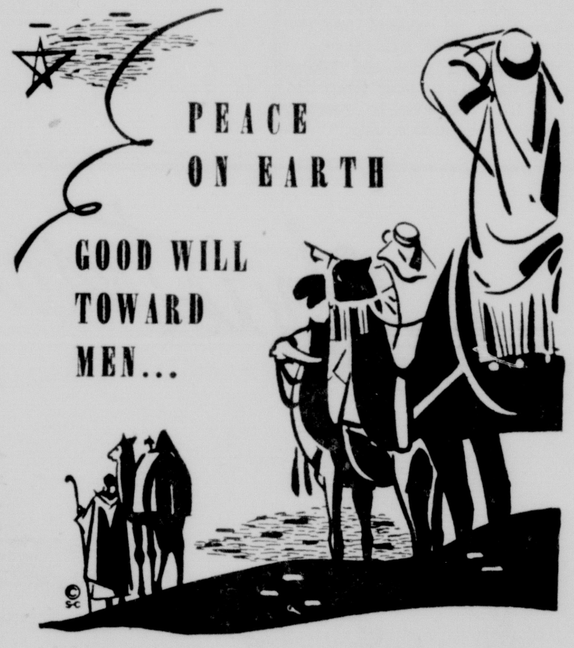

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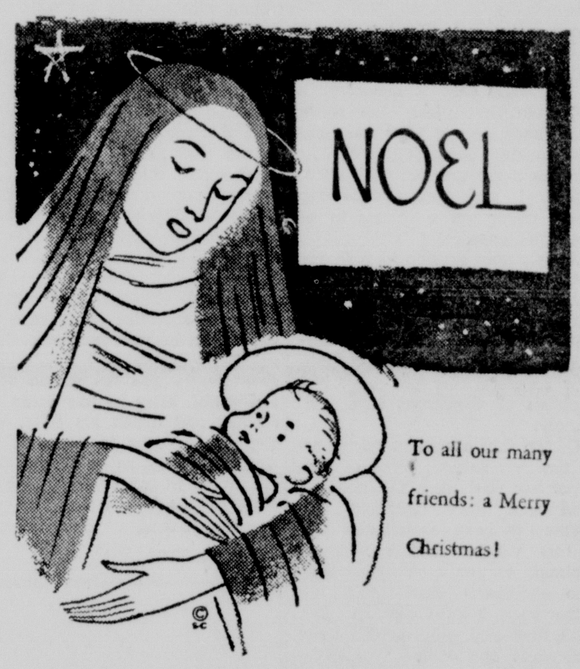

To all our many
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HAPPY HOLIDAY!

May this season bring
you and all your loved
ones, much Happiness!

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BEST WISHES

May your Christmas be as
bright as the candles...
as gay as the holly.

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We will endeavor to uphold,
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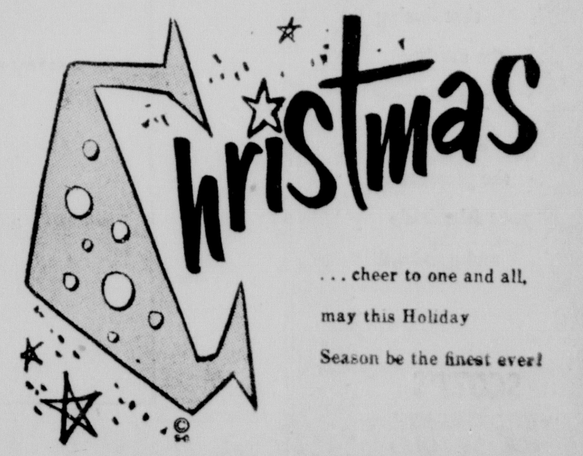

. . . cheer to one and all,
may this Holiday
Season be the finest ever!

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Greg and Carol Are Big Helpers—

Christmas Is Family Affair for Bilyeus

Christmas is a family affair in the home of Norman and LaRue Bilyeu, who live at 505 Sunset, for the week before Christmas the children, Greg, 4½, and Carol, 2½, help to decorate the house. With their mother they help make the spruce wreaths and put spruce boughs and other decorations over the house.

Daddy sat down several days before Christmas and wrote their letter to Santa Claus for them, because they are both too little to write yet. But Daddy didn't miss a thing. He wrote the complete list, the two-wheel bike that Greg wants most, and Greg's mother added a hopeful note in case that Santa might scratch his head over a little boy that young wanting a bike, that they do make bikes in small sizes. Greg wants a ranch set with cowboys, too, a rifle, a punching bag — and Daddy got writer's cramp before he finally finished the list. Carol wants first a doll, as most little girls do, and a toy piano and a little stove so she can serve coffee. She wants a scooter, too, and, since she has a brother, she thinks she should have a truck, so she can play with him.

The children help make the Christmas cookies along with their mother, and it is such fun to cut them out and decorate them with red and green sugar icing. The cookie cutters cuts the cookie dough into all kinds of shapes and Greg and Carol can hardly wait until the nice brown Santas, Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer, candles and other things come out of the oven nice and brown and spicy smelling. They make lots of gingerbread men, too.

Norm and LaRue were born in Iberia, Mo., but they came here from St. Louis three years ago. They were married right after they were out of high school 14 yaers ago and Norm is staff manager for the Life Insurance Company of Missouri.

They will have Christmas at home with Norm's two sisters and families and his uncles and aunts for Christmas dinner. LaRue's father lives in Springfield and he may come, too, but usually he stays in Springfield where she has brothers and sisters living.

Christmas Eve is always a very special occasion in the Bilyeu home. Greg fixes a nice tray for Santa with cookies and milk right in front of the door and the first thing he does on Christmas morning is to look to see if Santa has had his treat. Sure enough the glass on the tray is always empty and the cookies gone and Greg knows that Santa will enjoy his treat again this year.

Then mother and daddy read Christmas stories on Christmas Eve, all the nice, fanciful Christmas stories they can find until little eyes get drowsy and little heads nod. Then, after saying their prayers (See photograph on Page One of this section), Greg and Carol are put to bed to dream about Santa and his magic visit, and Santa, after he has eaten the cookies and drunk his milk, will step to the door to look in on Greg and Carol as he always does and wish them a Merry Christmas, and he knows they hear his greeting because they always smile in their sleep.

Scientists Like Toys Of Childhood

NEW YORK — (NEA) — Put this in your wassail cup and quaff it:

According to a survey among chemical and mechanical engineers, about half of those queried said that their childhood model train sets, chemistry sets, Erector sets and other toys were very important in their education.

Nearly one out of every four questioned said that structural, chemistry and train sets brought out or confirmed their mechanical aptitude in making things. Some of the engineers said that these childhood lay-outs were still played with by their children.

Of the 50 per cent who refused to acknowledge the vocational influence of toys, many explained sadly that in their youth such toys were either unavailable or too expensive.

Today, for parents who must face the terrible Christmas responsibility of giving their children vocational guidance in holiday wrapping, this survey tells an impressive story.

But what does it mean?

In the first place, the survey was made among 1,700 engineers. This means, according to the Engineers Joint Council, that 199,703 chemical and mechanical engineers never got a chance to see the questionnaire.

As a public service to both parents and engineers, an independent survey was made among some of the unasked scientists. And while the results differ only slightly from the original survey, these new answers may pin-point the problem of Christmas toys more closely.

Of the five engineers questioned in the new survey, three of them — 60 per cent, in other words — said that their childhood toys seemed to have contributed little to their vocational choice. The remaining 40 per cent (the other two engineers) said their toys were very helpful and, in fact, said they still played with them.

Here is one of the typical answers.

Melville W. Ackerman, nuclear engineer: "When I was a boy the nucleus had not yet been invented, but my older brother had a chemistry set. He is now an automobile salesman. I hate chemistry."

But while surveys never pretend to be anything more than an indicator, one fact stands out clearly in both the first and the second survey: Every engineer questioned admitted that he had attended high school.

New Magic For Future U. S. Homes

By VIVIAN BROWN
AP Newsfeaturers Writer

This is the age of unreason. But don't let it fool you. Things aren't what they seem, at all.

Take the home, for instance.

Men are the planners for the little cottage or big manse that women spend their lives in, and thereby is the snag.

Women want more closets, handier work space, nursery centers, recreation space, laundry centers in ordinary homes and apartments, not just in show place establishments and in ads. But what do the men give them, meanwhile? Picture windows.

Ah, yes, but just wait until 1976, one group urges.

At that time, they predict, your bedroom will feature radiant panels suspended above the bed to keep you comfortable without blankets. The bed will push into the wall when you aren't sleeping in it. There will be a TV screen in the bedroom so that Mom may check on Junior in the nursery while she reclines.

There'll be a television telephone in the kitchen so Mom can keep tabs on Dad all day, if she likes. An electronic device will enable her to plan menus, specify the number of servings for each meal and select the time when it will be automatically prepared and served. Bed sheets, table linens, dishes and cooking utensils will all be the disposable kind, so there'll be no storage problems. (That's the way they solved that one.)

Oh, yes, if Junior gets out of hand, all you do is push a button. Out comes an electronic retractable paddler to do the spanking job for the lazy or bashful parent.

A new light source will make its appearance, too — electronic light. It'll be panels no thicker than window glass that will line ceiling and three walls, one company predicts. Two control knobs will help you adjust to any level of brightness.

But what have we got coming up now?

Some people are enjoying the new electronic ranges and futuristic-type kitchens that contain every type of electric appliance that will do almost everything except shop for the food. And more of this atomic-age equipment will be on hand soon.

One home shown recently is built with attention to conversation and entertaining. The ceiling is high in the middle and low around the sides so that tete-a-tetes will be cosier. The fireplace has a polyester resin bonded to bricks above it, and around it the low-built ceiling gives the illusion of more space.

There is more concentration on tranquil room settings. Medical researchers recently showed a room designed for "peace of mind," guaranteed, as one doctor put it, to soothe "harried emotions."

You may achieve it, the experts say, by avoiding use of two different soft or cool colors together, as these will only irritate one more, hardly a desired reaction after a tense day. Red speeds the reactions, but leads to nervousness, they claim. Blue is quieting but may be depressing after long periods of time. Avoid novelty, heavy nubby fabrics or highly contrasting textures if you are the nervous type.

New colors will be to the liking of nerve specialists. Expert Beatrice West predicts that citron, flame, aqua and clear Caribbean shades will lead the color palette in home furnishings. Hyacinth blue is the new popular hue. Beige tones will outsmart grays.

At windows we'll have scalloped, hemmed and tasseled pull shades that won't give us that closed-in feeling. There are the new silhouette lace-type draw curtains especially for the large picture window, says designer Beulah Charlat, who utilizes lace tablecloth looms to give home-makers 15-foot width curtains for larger windows.

Christmas Story Is Emphasized—

Entire Kindergarten Joins Rhoads Holiday

Christmas is always an important and happy time to the family of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Rhoads, Jr., 1012 State Fair Boulevard, because "Dusty" and Kay not only have their two children, Rhonda, six, and Jaynee, five, but a kindergarten of excitement as well. Mrs. Rhoads has the K-Jo Kindergarten with Mrs. Don Lamm, Jr. Dusty is a refrigerator service man.

Rhonda and Jaynee join in all the artistic activities and plans for the children in the school, as well as decorating the home. This year the two little girls did the decorating of the home themselves, of course, with Dusty and Kay giving a little supervision. They have stenciled pictures and snowflakes on the windows, and although there isn't room for a big tree, they help their daddy decorate the smaller tree on the desk and that is the most exciting thing of all, because it is truly a family affair. (See photograph on Page One of this section.)

The Rhoads family made all of the Christmas cards this year and the kitchen has been buzzing with the baking of fruit cakes, making cookies and candy. Mrs. Kate Kesiterberg, who lives with the Rhoads family, could never have been able to get all that baking done without Rhonda and Jaynee.

Because Dusty and Kay are both Sedalians, they always spend Christmas here. Each year, and they have been married nine years, they alternate spending Christmas Day with her mother, Mrs. Golda Herrick, and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Rhoads. This year they spend Christmas with her mother. But Kay always has their families at their house for Christmas morning for breakfast. Then everybody can see what Santa brought to Rhonda and Jaynee.

But, with all the gay activities of getting ready for Christmas, the Rhoads family never forget that, first of all, Christmas is the birthday of the Christ child.

Every evening for a long time before Christmas the bedtime devotional in the Rhoads home is devoted entirely to the Christmas story. Children, Kay says, place more emphasis on this than one thinks and all you have to do is to ask any five- or six-year-old child what wonderful thing happened on Christmas and the answer will nearly always be, "Jesus' birthday."

It is Christmas Eve, the Christmas goodies made and some already eaten, the decorations are all in place and soon Rhonda and Jaynee will, with their mother and daddy, have the evening devotional on the story of the birth of the Christ child. Then two little girls will be tucked in bed with eyes still sparkling and hopes high for Santa's annual visit.

Thought For Today

BENTON HARBOR, Mich. (AP)— The air is filled with brain waves at Benton Harbor's class in "creative thinking."

The idea factory was thought up by Michigan State University Prof. Harold E. Gray. His students are junior executives, research engineers and advertising men.

The class gets together for two hours once a week and thinks. It starts out with fantastic ideas, then narrows discussion to practical solutions for local problems.

Prof. Gray says he hopes eventually the class will be able to "free its thought" to develop new ideas in work and hobbies.

Snakes Alive!

YORK, Pa. (AP) — Farmer Lawrence Barbour dug into a pile of sawdust and spotted a copperhead snake. Then he spotted another. And another. And still more.

He called his wife and before the afternoon was over they had killed 150 copperheads ranging from 16 to 18 inches long.

Christmas Decorations Can Be Made From Foil, Paper

AP Newsfeatures

Youngsters can have lots of fun making Christmas decorations from foil, newspaper (papier mache) and food staples such as cranberries.

A jaunty skater about 10 inches high for instance may be made with a series of little balls made of crumpled foil.

To make the head crush aluminum foil to form a ball about 2 inches in diameter. Nose, mouth and eyes are tiny Christmas beads attached by threading with wire and inserting ends into foil. For the body make a larger elongated ball about 3 by 4 in ches. Run the end of a 4-inch piece of semi-stiff wire into head and opposite end into body, pushing it together firmly. String five small foil balls less than 1 inch in diameter on wire for legs; add flattened ball for foot. Run wire through the body, add four balls for arms and bend into skating position. Bend tip ends of wire over foil to hold firm. To make skater's costume, form a little stocking cap of colored aluminum foil gift wrapping. Attach it with common pins. Cut buttons and belt from same paper and attach it with cement. Use red ribbon for a scarf. Attach skater's foot to styrafoam or other base and cover with foil.

A pretty wreath may be made by bending a coat hanger into a circle and covering it with crushed foil around and around. Decorate it with tiny Christmas balls, ribbon bows, artificial flowers. Common pins may be used to attach decorations to foil.

A candle holder may be made by standing a candle upright and crushing foil around it. Decorate with beads and glitter.

Easy to Find

BALTIMORE (AP) — Central District police figured it must be an inside job.

Mrs. Charlotte Meyers of New York City reported $60 stolen from her hotel room. Her son, Samuel, who had seen the thief, gave police the description:

About 30 years old, six feet tall and dressed only in maroon pajama pants.

The air is filled with scent
of pine . . . sleighbells tinkle
in the distance . . . children's

May happiness be Yours this holiday Season...

faces are filled with joyful expectation — the spirit of Christmas blesses us all.

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With our greetings of the Season goes our sincere wish that during the coming year we may again enjoy the pleasure of your friendship and good will.

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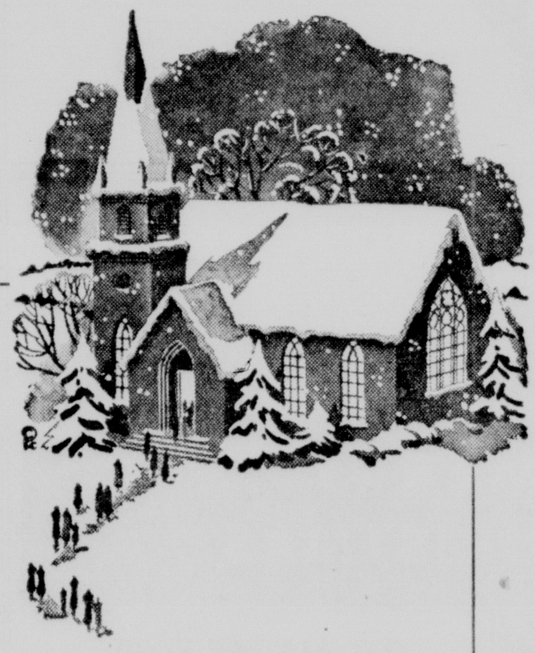

Each Christmas Season we realize anew

that our most treasured possessions are

our many enriching friendships. And so

to all our friends and customers

we wish a Very Merry Christmas!

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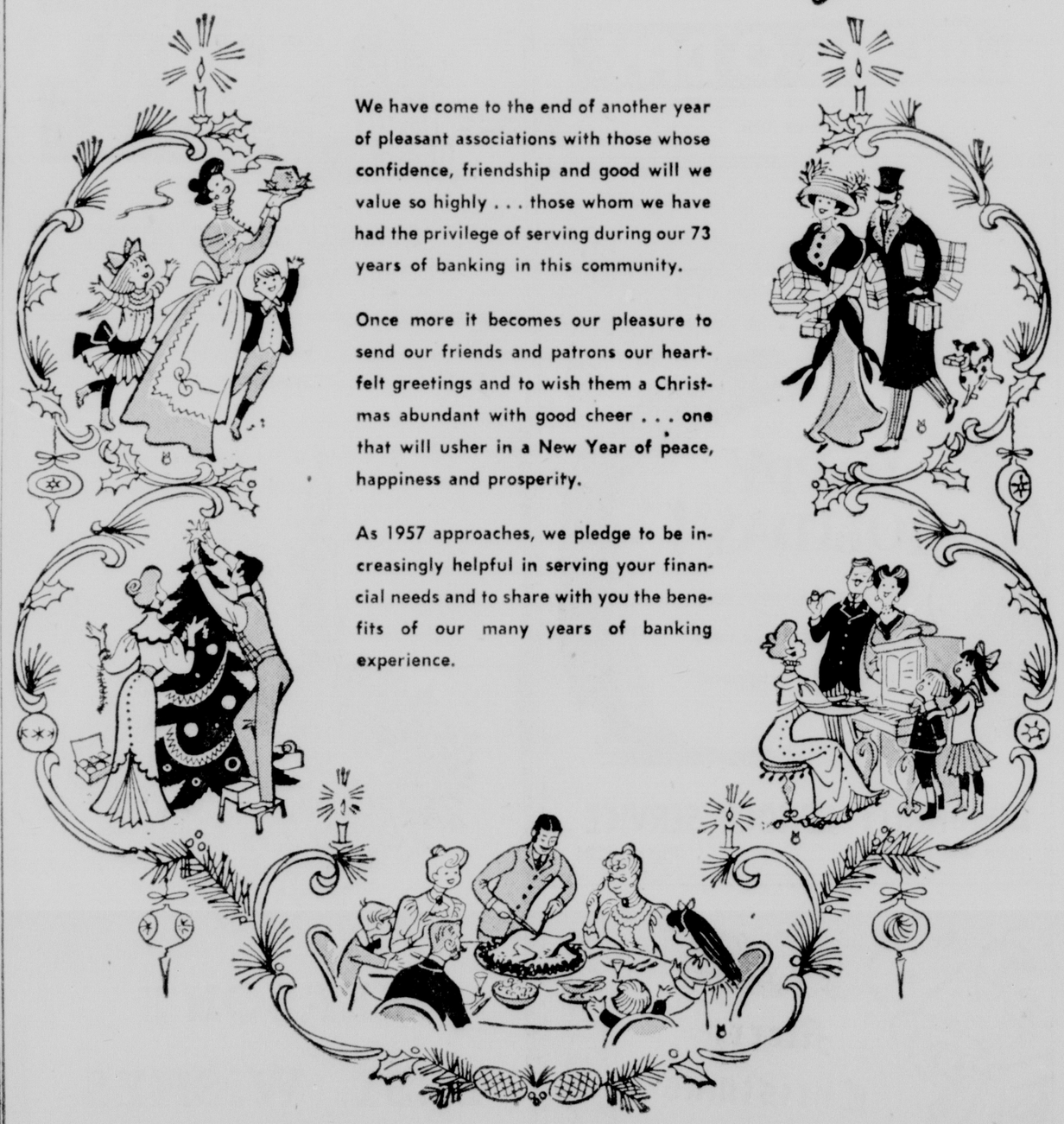
406 South Ohio

Christmas Greetings



We have come to the end of another year of pleasant associations with those whose confidence, friendship and good will we value so highly . . . those whom we have had the privilege of serving during our 73 years of banking in this community.

Once more it becomes our pleasure to send our friends and patrons our heartfelt greetings and to wish them a Christmas abundant with good cheer . . . one that will usher in a New Year of peace, happiness and prosperity.

As 1957 approaches, we pledge to be increasingly helpful in serving your financial needs and to share with you the benefits of our many years of banking experience.

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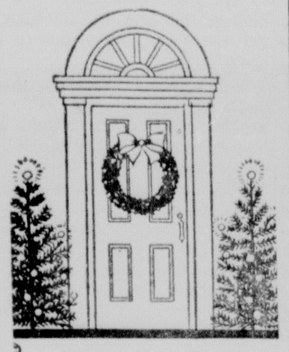


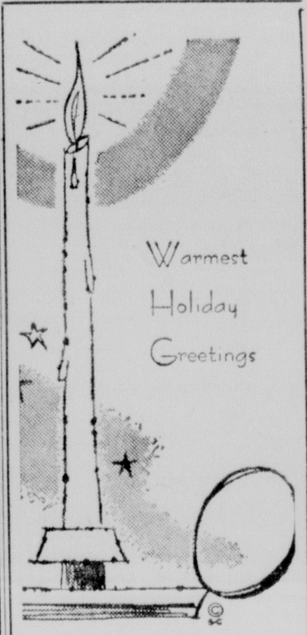
Season's Greetings

To all our friends for a happy holiday season.

DIXIE CREAM DONUT SHOP
117 West Second
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner

and a Happy New Year from all of us to all of you.

THE YOUTH SHOP
710 S. Ohio



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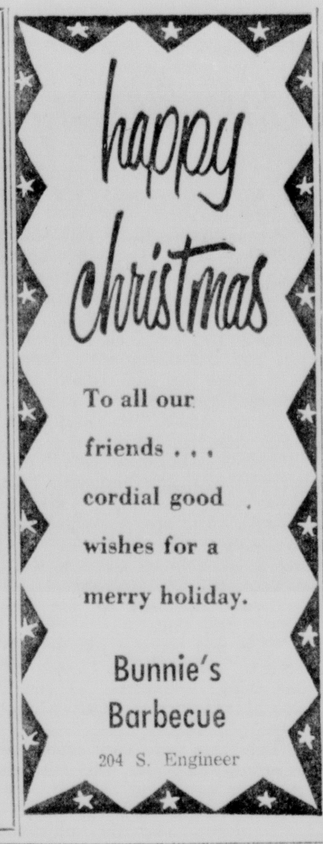

To all our friends . . . cordial good wishes for a merry holiday.

Bunnie's Barbecue
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MERRY CHRISTMAS

YEAGER'S MARKET
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Merry Christmas

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AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Hoping you have much happiness during the Yule Season and for the years to come.

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At Christmas

. . . we wish you joy and happiness, health and prosperity for the coming year.

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May the spirit of the Christmas Season be with you and your loved ones throughout the New Year!

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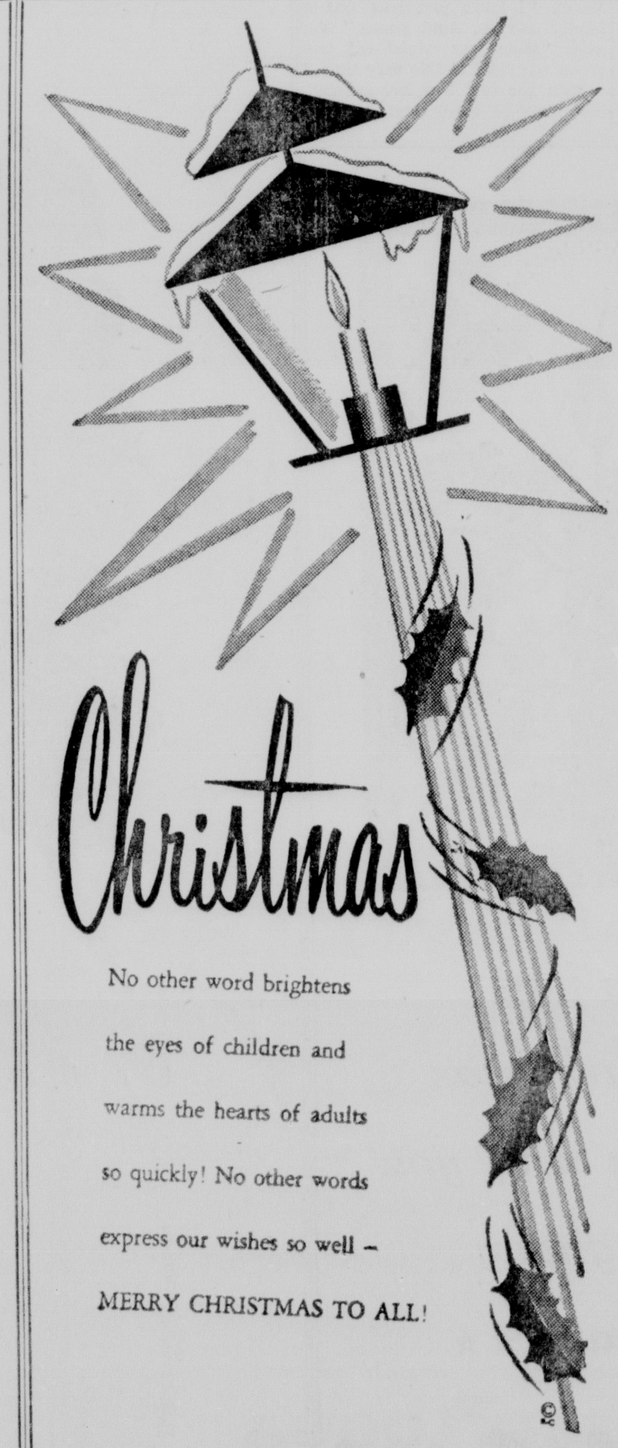

No other word brightens the eyes of children and warms the hearts of adults so quickly! No other words express our wishes so well —
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

SIEVERS ROOFING COMPANY
215 East Main St. Phone 177

To our many customers and friends,

our sincere wishes for your happiness

and a Merry, Merry Christmas to you all!

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Sedalia, Missouri

Christmas Came Home With Marty

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Marty was the newest bride in the Peterson family. She had married Don Peterson, the youngest of the six children, who had trailed Ralph, the fifth one, by ten years.

The Petersons knew little about Marty. Don had met her while he was in service, had written about her often and then a month before he received his discharge from service he said he was bringing her home with him. "She has no folks," he wrote his mother. "Please announce our engagement and plan our wedding."

So the Petersons, the entire family, planned the wedding.

They found Marty every bit as lovely as Don had said. She just seemed to twinkle and she fit in perfectly with the Peterson family, but she never mentioned why she didn't have any relatives. Neither did Don, and the Petersons wondered but never questioned them.

"That lovely old house up on the hill!" Marty had exclaimed as they drove into Maplewood that first day.

"That's where Aunt Susan lives," Don had said.

"Your aunt?" questioned Marty.

"My great-aunt," replied Don. "She's kinda batty."

"Oh," Marty had said.

"Well," explained Don, "She does peculiar things, such as setting the table for all of her family at Christmas time just like she did when they were all living."

"And, now," Marty said softly, "they are all dead?"

"Yes," Don went on, "been dead for years. Nobody there for years, yet she gets out all of that fine china and crystal and silver and sets the table with the best linen cloth. The girls would love to have them, especially Ann. She likes antiques."

"Maybe she is lonesome" said Marty, "Oh, Don, Christmas can be the very lonesomest time of the year. Don't you know that, honey?"

Don sat silently thinking. The words, "Christmas can be the lonesomest time of the year" rang in his ears. He remembered last Christmas. He had never been so lonesome and miserable in his life. He couldn't go home for Christmas and, even though all the family had sent him gifts and there were gifts and cards from his friends, he had never been so low as he was on Christmas Eve. He could picture the family around the big tree at home, the loads and loads of gifts, the excitement.

He put his head down on the desk in the service club and when he looked up there were tears in his eyes. It had been a delicate perfume that had made him look up and there she stood. She looked like an angel in the white formal with yards of soft white net. There were tears in her eyes, too. That was how he had met Marty.

"I want to meet Aunt Susan," Marty said, and right then Don turned his car around and went back to the big house on the hill.

Aunt Susan was a small woman with white hair that waved back to the soft knot at the back of her neck. Her eyes looked a deeper blue than they really were because of the blue dress she wore with its tiny lace collar.

"Don!" she said in surprise, and then she looked at Marty. She smiled. Everybody smiled when they saw Marty, maybe because Marty herself always smiled.

"Come in," said Aunt Susan holding the door open wide and they did. The home, Marty found, was as pretty inside as it was out — the big rooms with their carved mantels and woodwork, the walls with paper that looked like velvet cloth and which Marty learned later was cloth, the deep pile carpeting, wall to wall that Marty knew had been there a long, long time, the oil paintings on the wall, the beautiful antiques all over the place. Marty loved it, and she was strangely drawn to the little old lady who was watching her.

"Marty is the girl I am going to marry," Don told Aunt Susan. "I'm just out of service, you know. Just drove into town. Haven't been home yet."

Aunt Susan wanted to say, "Why did you stop here?" but she didn't.

"Yes," Marty's merry little voice was saying, "we just drove in and Don told me his Aunt Susan lived in this lovely big house," Marty crossed her fingers under her purse as she continued, "and he wanted me to meet you."

Don was her great - nephew, Marty knew, and she was wise enough to know that blood is thicker than water. It would mean more to Aunt Susan to think that Don wanted her to meet his fiancee than to know that Marty had said she wanted to meet her.

Don started to stay something, then his eyes followed Marty's to Aunt Susan's face. She was looking at him, now, and there was a little flush on her face and the most pleaded look he had ever seen.

"Yes, Aunt Susan," Don said, "I wanted Marty to know you and I wanted you to know her — I somehow felt you would like each other." Then, catching Marty's spark of getting along with people, he added, "I wanted to see you, too." With that he went over and kissed the old lady, and Marty swallowed the lump in her throat. She was proud of Don and what he did of his own free will at that moment.

They promised to come back often and they did. And they saw that Aunt Susan was with the family at their wedding, the reception — yes, she was even in on the parties and showers. Ann had been dumbfounded when at the first party Marty unwrapped the gift from Aunt Susan and held up the vase Ann had been trying to wiggle out of the old lady for years. She had told her that it really should be handed down in the family and, when that didn't work, had even offered to buy it. Ann had plenty of money and could pay any price asked, but Aunt Susan said she didn't want to sell it.

Now, she had turned around and given it to a perfectly strange girl.

"Oh, Aunt Susan", Marty was saying, "Don and I will just love this vase. We will give it a very special place in our home."

"I should think so," thought Ann to herself. "It is worth a great sum of money but that little old girl wouldn't know it."

With each shower there were more precious gifts from Aunt Susan and each time Ann boiled underneath. She remembered that Aunt Susan hadn't been invited to her wedding and certainly not her parties. That Marty was a clever girl.

Marty and Don had moved into the big old house on Elm Street and filled it with Marty's furniture.

"Why did you pick that old barn?" Ann had asked.

"Because I like big houses," Marty said. "I have always been used to a big house. My family—" but here she stopped and said nothing more.

It was Thanksgiving and Marty and Don, who had picked a house with a big dining room invited all the relatives over, which, of course, included Aunt Susan. Everybody had eaten all they could eat and the dishes were done.

"I guess we had better draw names," said Helen.

"Draw names?" echoed Don, "For what?"

"For the Christmas gifts," Helen told him, she hesitated. "We drew names last year," she explained. "You see, it seemed that the family grew so it was working a hardship on some of them to buy gifts for everybody."

"Everybody sent to me last year," said Don.

"That was because you were in service," put in Ralph. "I only got one thing — pajamas — and I was always sure of pajamas anyway."

"But these were very expensive pajamas," said Ann, who felt her gifts were always above the others, even at the same price.

"I always like the pajamas Trudy gave me, I looked forward to them every year —" Ralph said, and Trudy smiled. Ralph was always a bigger baby than Don and she loved him for it.

"Didn't you all give to Mom and Dad, either?" questioned Don. "Or was it too great a chore?"

"Yes, they gave to us as always, son" said his mother, and added, "We gave to them, too."

"I don't understand it," Don said, his brows puckering into a frown. "We always had so much fun. I remember last year when I couldn't come home I could just see all the family around the tree, the gifts like a mountain around it. Everybody opened gifts one at a time and showed them to everybody. It took all Christmas morning. But, of course," said Don, "We weren't hungry because we started the morning off with a big breakfast. Mom always had to see about the dinner now and then during the morning and we would wait until she came back. She always had as much prepared as possible beforehand."

"Well, last year," commented Fred, "we were through in an hour."

"How did this all come about?" asked Don.

"The family just got so big—it was hard to get things for all the family," explained Ann.

"She means Trudy's family got so big—" commented Trudy.

"Yes," agreed Ann, "it made it hard on Trudy."

"Hard on Trudy?" shrieked her sister, "I had nothing to do with it at all. I could manage. I always made all my gifts. Why even during the war when you couldn't get material and things, I made house dresses out of feed sacks you, as well as the other girls, were mighty glad to get.

"I always loved my pajamas," said Ralph, "even the feed sack pajamas."

"Never mind, honey," laughed Trudy. "If I don't get your name, I'll still make you some pajamas."

"But it was hard on you to make all those things," insisted Ann.

"Not at all," said Trudy, "and I always had gifts for the children to give and Tom always had some of the meat put away when we butchered just to give for Christmas to the family. You can't blame it on the Lawsons."

"Yes," said Aunt Susan, "families grow fast—and they go fast, too, once they start. Then you look back. You have to enjoy your family while you have it. You have to keep family traditions and family fun. There comes a time—"

Mrs. Peterson was thinking back how as a child they had all gathered at the big house on the hill. Her grandparents were there then, and her mother and father and all of her mother's brothers and sisters. She could see Aunt Susan, the youngest of the family, and the only unmarried one, trimming the tree. The family always went for Christmas Eve and stayed all night in the big house. Yule logs burned brightly in the many fireplaces and there were candles on the tree. Aunt Susan was so gay and pretty, and had a dozen beaus, but none of them were allowed to come at Christmas, because that was her time with the family.

She remembered, too, how when her own family had reached three she felt that Christmas should be in their own home. How she had pulled away from the family tradition of spending Christmas at the big house. She remembered how disappointed her mother and Aunt Susan had been that first Christmas. Her own brothers and sisters and her cousins had one by and had gone to all parts of the country to make their homes. They came home, some of them, once in awhile as long as their own parents lived and then they, too, had Christmas in their own homes. Finally, there was no one left but Aunt Susan and her memories of Christmas. Mrs. Peterson remembered her young sons coming back on Christmas Day from Aunt Susan's where they had taken a turkey dinner in a basket and a gift.

"Aunt Susan is crazy," she could hear them say every year. "She sets her table with all her best china and crystal just like she was expecting a big crowd."

"She is just old," she had told her sons. "She has always done that and she thinks she still should."

Today she saw how selfish and thoughtless she had been. Only ghosts of other happy Christmas times sat at Aunt Susan's table. Why had she sent Aunt Susan's dinner to her instead of inviting her over, she wondered. Why had it taken a young girl from miles away who had married her son to open her eyes?

Suddenly, Mrs. Peterson realized Marty was sobbing and Don had her in his arms.

It seemed an hour to Mrs. Peterson, while really it was only a few minutes, that Marty wiped her eyes with her gay handkerchief. She looked straight at Aunt Susan. "I know just how fast a family can go, Aunt Susan," she said. "Mine was wiped out two years ago right at this very time."

Then she told how her parents, her married sister and her two babies and her younger brother had all been killed in a car wreck on their way to get her and bring her home from college for the Thanksgiving holidays. They had always spent Christmas at her grandmother's home and preparation that year had been big as always. By Christmas grandmother was gone, too. She had died from the shock.

"So, I know, Aunt Susan, and I want this to be a wonderful Christmas for both of us. I want al lthe traditions of your Christmas carried out and, of course, there must be Christmas memories of the past, your Christmases and mine."

"I was just thinking, Aunt Susan," Mrs. Peterson said, "why couldn't we all come to your house Christmas Eve, like we used to do and stay all night and Christmas Day?"

"With everybody giving gifts to everybody", put in Don. "I have never had a Christmas without it and I don't want any."

So the plans were made and early Christmas Eve morning Marty went up to Aunt Susan's. The house was spotless from top to bottom because Aunt Susan had had a woman come in and clean it for her and put fresh linens and lovely old white spreads on the beds. There were quilts, too, that had been in the family for years. Aunt Susan had all of the fine china and crystal and silver out and she and Marty sang Christmas carols as they washed and wiped them. They had been making cookies and fruit cakes for days. Marty had brought her bright paper and ribbon and cards and Aunt Susan had her gifts for all of the family wrapped and put away in the closet in her room.

When Trudy and her family arrived that afternoon, the first of the group, they brought two large hams, some cream and cottage cheese.

"Tonight," she announced, "we are going to have a buffet dinner and everybody is bringing some food."

"But," said Aunt Susan, "we have food enough, I'm sure."

"We will eat it all tomorrow," put in Marty, "Tomorrow is your dinner — tonight is ours."

Jim, Trudy's oldest boy, sniffed the odor of mince pies in the oven and rubbed his tummy. "Boy, I can hardly wait."

"You don't have to," beamed Aunt Susan, and she cut a piece of one of the many mincemeat pies.

"Aunt Susan," said Trudy, "you shouldn't. You'll run out of pie if you give it to everyone who wants it."

"That's what we made them for, isn't it Marty?" she said looking at Marty.

"There is plenty of homemade mincemeat to make more," said Marty, "Aunt Susan has seen to that."

The kitchen door opened and in came Don and Fred and Kate and Freddy. A moment later another car brought Helen and Dan and Ralph and Mary and last came Ann and Paul.

Food was all over the kitchen, and the rest of the house was full of packages.

"Where is that tree?" asked Paul.

"You are supposed to go out and get it," Aunt Susan said. "There are lots of big cedars—or spruce, if you like — on the place."

"You wore the wrong kind of clothes, Paul," said Ralph. "Go on home and change."

To the surprise of all of them, even Ann, the dignified Paul put down the overnight bag he was holding and his arm load of gifts and left.

"He's gone after more packages in the car," explained Ann, and then they heard the car start. When he returned, he wore an old plaid shirt, riding britches and a leather jacket.

"Where?" asked Ann in surprise.

"Never mind where — I've had them in the garage and have been saving them for this very moment." He grinned like a youngster who had just caught his first fish, kicked off his shoes and put on the pair of boots he had brought along.

"Now," he said to Ralph, "let's go find the tree."

"Don't forget the yule log," said Aunt Susan.

"Fred and Tom will go with me to get that" said Don. "Dan can help get the tree and the kids can get evergreen boughs to decorate."

Things really hummed in the house on the hill. The table was loaded with food, the boughs were brought in by the armload and the youngsters put them everywhere, now and then sticking in a candle or red bow.

"Don't bring the tree in through the kitchen" yelled Trudy when she saw the men bringing the tree toward the back of the house, "You'll never get it through. Take it in the front door."

The tree was so tall it nearly reached the very high ceiling of the room. Aunt Susan had all the old-fashioned decorations out and Marty had boxes of new decorations.

"Here is the yule log, Aunt Susan," Don said as he and the other boys brought it through to the kitchen. "Where will we put it?"

"In the fireplace in the living room, of course," said Aunt Susan, "but everybody is supposed to stand on it and sing a Christmas carol."

Sometimes the voices were a bit out of tune, sometimes the carols were very lovely, but everybody sang and everybody laughed.

Then Aunt Susan got the ember of the last Christmas the last yule log that had burned in the home—she closed her eyes and tried to remember how many years ago that had been. But it really didn't matter, she thought, so the new yule log was lighted and burned merrily.

"We'd better eat first," said Helen, "then trim the tree."

"That's the best idea anybody has had yet," said Ralph.

While the women washed the dishes, the men put up the tree and then came the trimming. Everybody was in everybody's way. Don and Ralph struggled

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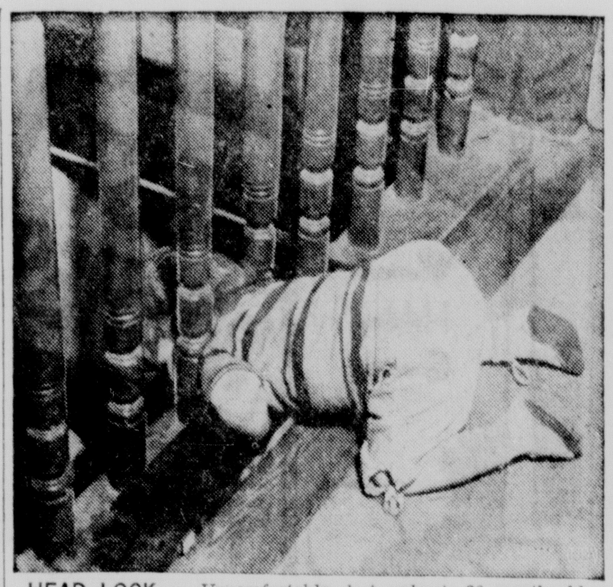

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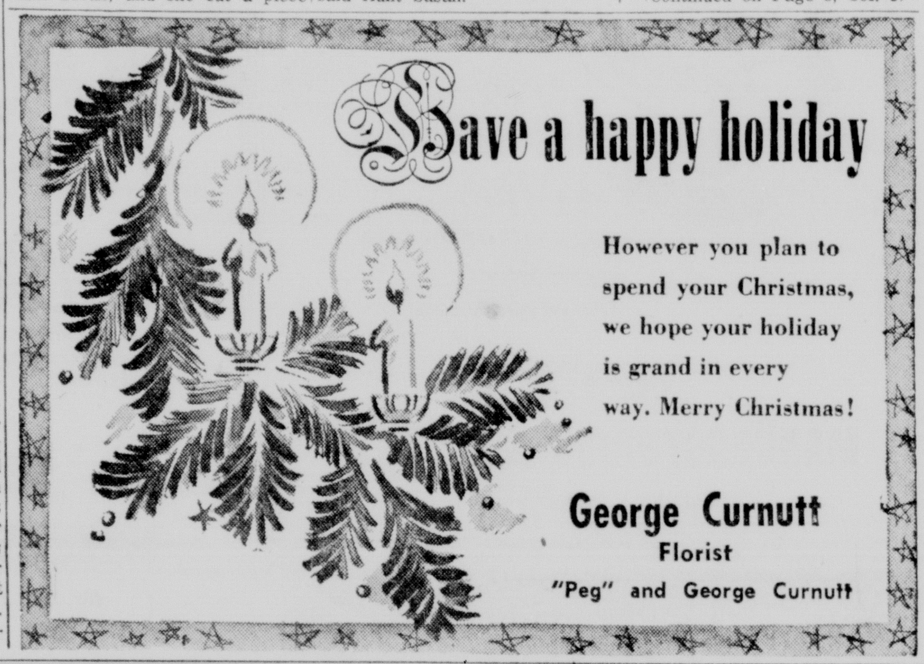

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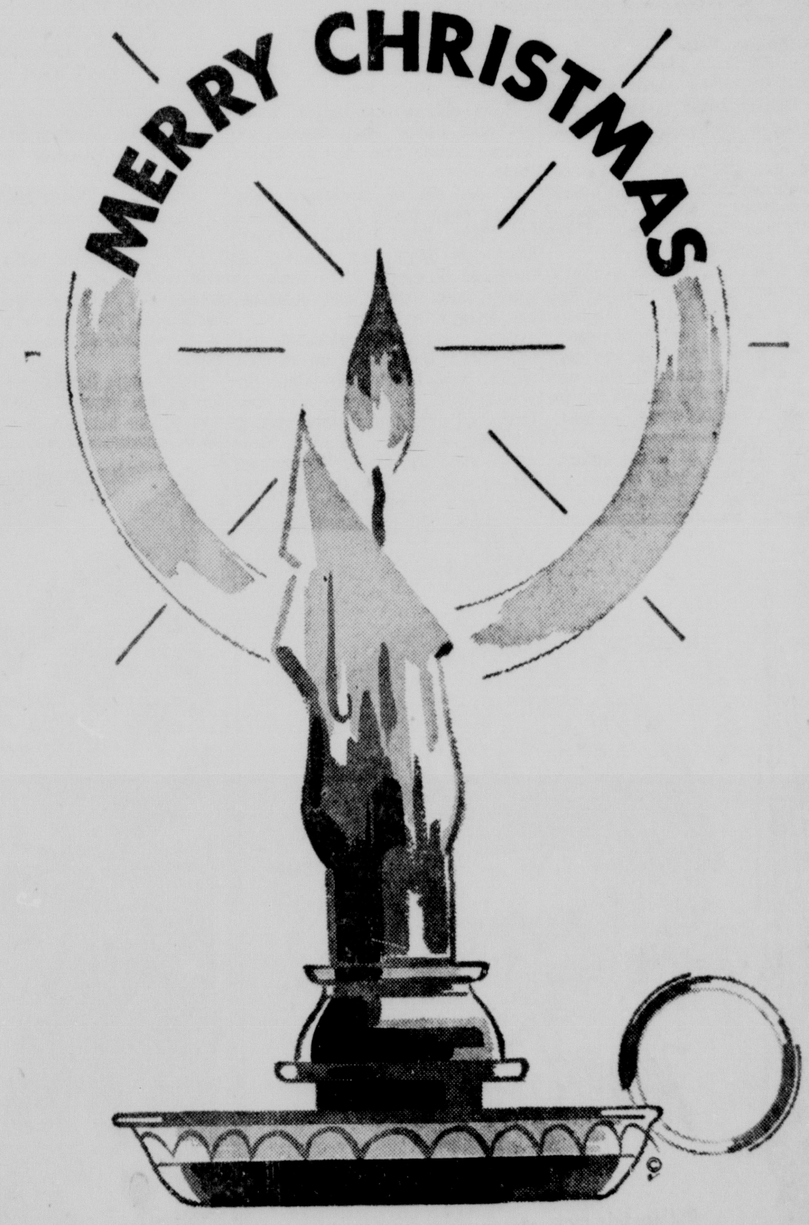

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A Boy's Faith in Santa

By ED ROGERS
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Walking along in the gray light of a December day, the young man was oblivious to the tinkling bell of the Salvation Army stand, the colorful decorations and the crowds of people hustling along with packages under each arm.

He had pinned many hopes and dreams on the promotion that had just passed on to a fellow worker. The big salary would have bought all the things his family wanted—a fur coat his wife wanted, Johnny, the oldest boy, wanted a new bicycle, Julie wanted a formal for the big Christmas dance.

Bitter resentment boiled over in his mind as he figured the difference between his salary and the one that should have been his.

I just won't do any of the extra little things, he thought, such as staying an extra ten minutes to paint a sign for the boss.

Any time he stayed past quitting time would be charged on his time slip from now on.

As he neared his home, he could see the three-year-old car setting in the driveway and thought of the new car he wanted so badly, and the new golf clubs and the new fishing tackle.

The clamor and clatter of the kids, Johnny, Julie and Billy, the youngest who would start to school next year, sidetracked his thoughts temporarily. But his bitter mood returned as Jane, his wife, casually remarked about the fur coat that the neighbor woman was getting.

Arriving at work as usual the next morning a little early, he decided to wait until right at 9 o'clock before going to his bench. He wasn't going to give them a nickle's worth of extra time again.

The day wore on and his mood stayed about the same. Others in the office noticed his sullen attitude and stayed away, but he didn't notice. He was too wrapped up in his own thoughts.

Days came and went but his bitterness stuck with him. Today was payday and tomorrow was Christmas Eve but he still didn't have his shopping done. He just couldn't bring himself to buy presents when he couldn't have the things he wanted.

He collected his pay check and started home. As he passed the sporting goods store he stopped to admire the golf clubs in the window. At the other end was a little fellow about the size of his youngest, gazing longingly at the train running around its track. He couldn't help but ask if that was what Santa was going to bring him.

The little waif, in his tattered but well-mended coat, answered, "No, but I am sure Santa will remember me."

The brightness in the child's eyes and his faith that Santa wouldn't forget did something to the man's thoughts. It nagged at the back of his mind.

Arriving home with his paycheck, he had to tell his wife about the lost promotion. He expected some sharp remarks but instead she said, "Your time will come." Again, that something nagged at the back of his mind.

As his thoughts passed over the day, the little boy's shining face nagged at him again. Suddenly it began to take shape what it was that was bothering him. Faith! yes, that little boy's faith. And then he remembered something he had heard time and again about a little passage of scripture that read something to the effect that "a little child shall lead them."

COMMEMORATIVE POSTCARD — Israeli postal officials have issued this postcard bearing cancellation marks dated from 1896 to 1956 to celebrate the reopening of the post office in Gaza, the seaport occupied by Israeli troops last October. The card will be a collector's item since no special stamp has been issued.

Christmas Shopping of Old

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Up to the turn of the cenutry, and even years before when transportation methods were not on a high speed level as of now with automobiles, trucks and planes becoming common carriers in competition with the railroads, the Sedalia market house square was a mecca for farmers having wood, corn and various products for sale.

Just before the Christmas season, especially on Saturdays the few weeks previous to the most generally observed holiday in all Christendom, would find the square, occupying a half block at the southwest corner of Second and Osage, jammed with horsedrawn wagons that were loaded with wood, hay, grain, or other offerings to secure spending money for the Christmas holidays.

Often families would be brought to town for an entire day visiting the stores and shops while the man breadwinner would remain at the square until his load was sold and then would round up the family for the trip home.

Some of the wood brought in would be cordwood, some sawed into stove lengths and other that was termed polewood, that is, the full length of the tree that had its branches removed. The latter type moved slowly and sometimes those bringing it in would wait until about dusk with no takers and then would offer it at a much reduced price to get it unloaded and start home disappointed that there were no ready takers at a price originally asked.

A large watering trough and hitching racks were available to care for horses and feed, which had been brought along, would be given them at the proper time.

The marketing was not all by the men, however, as the housewives would have offerings of domestic poultry, eggs and butter to sell to dealers at the markethouse and to grocers with whom they traded.

Lunches often prepared before the start to town would be in readiness by noontime for those hungry and if not having brought food they would visit one of the numerous medium priced menu restaurants where a fairly well balanced meal, including a meat order, would be served for the unbelievable price of 25 cents a person. This, too, would include a dessert.

It's considered by many a far cry back to the horse and buggy days—yes and even sleighs and sleds that were used at every opportunity when sufficient snow was on the ground and this, some of the old-timers relate, was not too infrequent.

Wood was used extensively and was secured from forest areas near as convenient. The old Sedalia, Warsaw and Southern narrow gauge railway would bring in wood by carloads from Benton and adjacent counties. Coal, too, was shipped in by rail while from some of the nearby coal deposits it was hauled in by wagons.

After a bracing sleighride, or sledding party, it was a joy to get by an oldtime fireplace with its blazing and crackling log throwing out heat that would readily warm the front, or back, of a person before it whichever happened to be turned toward the lurid flames.

Some old residents of the days of long ago delight in telling, and with oftimes exaggeration, about the terrible winters they had experienced. They tell of driving through fields and over rail fences where the snows had drifted and hardened as icy blasts swept across the country.

At the markethouse, the city hall, with exception of the upper story, was utilized for meat markets, or stalls for the sale of poultry, produce and even wild game such as geese, ducks, prairie chickens, rabbits and on festive occasions venison would be available.

Prices for these were exceptionally low compared with the present day budget to load down the family larder and put on the table feasts befitting Christmas time. With far less opportunities it was considered a happy experience despite the hardships entailed.

Now one may hop into an automoble, rush to town and secure what is desired and be home within a few hours when in those days it took most always a full day of one's time and for farmers they had to rush around to get home for the evening feeding of their stock.

Amusements included parties, dances, ice skating, community gatherings and most important of all were the Christmas trees, cantatas and programs in the churches and schools.

Solemnity marked many of the observances in the churches and homes while elsewhere hilarity was much in evidence.

Most of the joys of Christmas centered among the kiddies as they anxiously and joyously awaited the coming of Santa Claus with his bag of toys and sweets.

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with the star on the top and it took Paul to get it on just as it should be. There were little candles along with the string of lights. There were paper decorations made by Trudy's children and the children of other generations. Everybody had a hand in the decorating, everybody had ideas and the tree glistened with breathtaking beauty when they were finished. Then gifts that were strewn all over the house were brought out and put around the tree. They were all around the trunk and high on either side.

Trudy sat down at the old organ and began to play carols. The voices blended in until someone suggested that it was way past bedtime, in fact long after midnight. The smaller children had long ago been tucked into bed and, as Don said, the rest of them had better get to bed, too, or Santa might never show up for the tots.

So to bed they went and somehow, with the morning, dolls, sleds, bikes and many, many things were there among all the wrapped packages.

There was breakfast with ham and eggs, hot cakes, coffee and milk. The yule log still burned in the fireplace and the children couldn't find time to eat because they found the toys under the tree first thing.

Trudy gave the Christmas devotional and Paul a Christmas prayer. Then came the food and when Don found he was as eager as the children to see what was under the tree. They began to pass out the gifts and open them. Marty sat down on the floor and handed the gifts to the youngsters, who were thrilled to pass them out.

"Be careful with these, Linda," she warned. "Some of them might break." Linda took the gift wrapped in plain white tissue paper and tied with green and red ribbon in her small hands.

"That goes to your Aunt Ann," said Marty.

Linda took it to Ann very proudly, and Ann opened the big box. In the box were six very old and beautiful plates.

Ann lost her poise. She shrieked in merriment over the plates as Linda had done over the walking doll and Dickie over his bike.

She had loved those plates for years, she had tried to buy them from Aunt Susan but the old lady had refused to listen. No price she offered was big enough, and yet, on this Christmas morning of her own free will she had given not one, but six of the plates.

"Of her own free will," thought Ann to herself, "or was it Marty's suggestion?"

"I shouldn't have given you that package first," said Marty. "Now you won't appreciate anything else."

"I will love everything else," said Ann, "but nothing so much as the plates. Oh, Aunt Susan, you do know what they mean to me, don't you?"

Aunt Susan smiled. "I thought you would like them, honey," she said.

Papers and ribbon were scattered over the floor with the opening of each gift, and the gifts were all extra special. This Christmas everybody had gone all out to try to find exactly what everybody else wanted. The Peterson family had started buying right after Thanksgiving because that Thanksgiving at Marty's had given them something to think about.

Ralph got two pairs of pajamas, an expensive pair from Ann and the homemade pair he liked so much from Trudy. There had been everything in those packages from a mink cape to a bunch of stamps for Paul, the stamp collector of the family. And everybody was pleased. But the strange thing was everybody was the most surprised and the most pleased over Aunt Susan's gifts, beautiful family heirlooms, all of them.

Teenaged Mary had beamed over the beautiful antique necklace that had belonged to her great-grandmother, Don had been given his grandfather's watch, everybody had received dishes, jewelry, even guns, that had belonged to someone in the family. A tiny ring fit little Linda's finger perfectly. It had been Aunt Susan's when she was a little girl.

And so the day came to an end, the last of the many dishes were wahsed after the big turkey dinner, and the last car had disappeared down the drive. Well, that is, next to the last, for Marty and Don were still there.

"This has been a wonderful Christmas" said Aunt Susan, "and the most wonderful gift of all Don, has been Marty."

Marty, who had just slipped on her coat, turned to the old lady and smiled.

"Wait," said Aunt Susan, "I have one more gift."

Don and Marty looked at each other curiously, as the little old lady went to the huge mahogany secretary and took out a folded piece of paper.

"The deed to this home," she said, "with of course, my right to live here as long as I live. You may move in as soon as you like or wait until I am gone, which can't be too many years."

"Aunt Susan," cried Marty throwing her arms around the old lady and kissing her, "this is the most wonderful thing that could ever possibly happen to us. We will move in tomorrow."

"There is one thing, honey," said Aunt Susan, "I want you to always keep Christmas in this house."

"Aunt Susan," said Marty, "after today, how could I do otherwise? Even if the family no longer finds time for Christmas in this lovely home, I will, and should I be alone here in years to come, I will set the table for us all as I know you have done."

The door closed behind Don and Marty, and Aunt Susan sank wearily into the big chair in the living room. The yule log was burning slowly now as if it was about to go out.

"I must put the last ember of the log away tomorrow," Aunt Susan said half-aloud and half to herself, "so Marty will have it to light the new yule log next Christmas."

There are 16 species of hummingbirds in the United States.

K. P. Eased in 1956

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
Associated Press Food Editor

Culinary queens received plenty of help during 1956. New foods appeared the whole year through to boost kitchen reigns.

Epicurean as well as good plain cooks welcomed a new variety of condensed soup: vegetable beef. The soup needs only to be heated and yet offers the old-fashioned flavor that takes hours of preparation in home kitchens.

Hurry-up cooks who like more than salt and pepper in many foods were interested in a new Italian-type seasoning that blends seven herbs: marjoram, thyme, rosemary, savory, sage, oregano and basil. Onions appeared in concentrated granulated toasted form to give dishes prepared by short-order cooks the aroma and flavor of French-fried onions.

Cooks who don't like to crack hard nuts pounced on a new group of vacuum-packed nutmeats. These come in convenient one-and-two-cup size cans, with a key device for opening, and with resealable lids. Kitchen artists can choose among pecans, walnuts, black walnuts, almonds (in the skin or blanched). A similar can of salted nuts contains a mixture of pecans, cashews, almonds and filberts or Brazil nuts.

A corn-bread mix came in fantastically easy-to-prepare form. A plastic bag containing the mix may be opened and an egg and milk poured in. With a twist of the wrist, the bag is re-closed and the contents squeezed until the mixture is ready to turn into an aluminum foil pan that comes with the mix. No mixing bowls, spoons or baking pan to wash — and a delicious bread besides.

A new frosting mix won converts because of its caramel flavor and smooth texture. It will cover a round layer cake, a large loaf cake or the tops of a couple of dozen cupcakes. It will also produce two cups of caramel sauce.

A new cake mix took a bow: a white batter with lemon flakes. Refrigerated cookies came in rolls in several flavors, ready to be sliced and baked.

Devotees of pie crusts made from graham crackers were enchanted by packaged graham-cracker crumbs that come in bags with waxed-paper inner liners and tin-tie foldover tops. Each bag holds enough crumbs for three nine-inch pies.

Small fry reveled over pink lemonade. The lemonade is a frozen concentrate that is colored with pure fruit juices.

Good old canned baked beans got new flavor from bacon and tomato sauce that has a smoky taste.

A new set of graduated measuring cups made lots of women say "Why didn't I think of this?" The cups have long handles so they can be easily lifted from the range when butter and chocolate are heated in them.

Even buttermints, pleasant ending for a meal, are up to new tricks. Now they're chocolate flavored, with a light-and-airy texture, and available in food chains.

Reducers took heart. News came from the U. S. Department of Agriculture that peanuts may lose some of their calories.

Cork Bottles Noise

DENVER (AP)—A two-inch blanket of cork was laid under a downtown Denver street to keep traffic noise out of the basement of a new hotel and department store.

After excavating under the street for the basement, workmen placed a new surface on one block of Court Place, between 15th and 16th streets.

The cork was placed atop a concrete slab that makes up the ceiling of the fourth floor of the huge basement. Five layers of waterproofing were placed on the cork before a 10-inch concrete slab was poured to form the foundation for a two-inch asphalt street surface.

Larry Klaus of San Antonio, Tex., is the new head trainer for the University of Wyoming teams.

Expensive Shine

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Prices are high in Alaska, but a guy normally doesn't hand over $1,265 for a shoeshine.

Dale Webb did — and got the shine while standing in the snow at Fairbanks' busiest street intersection.

It all came about because of a drive to raise funds for a new YMCA building.

Ed Hansen, his team captain, told Webb that if he reported next week with $1,000 pledged for the campaign, he'd get a shoe shine at the corner of Second and Cushman.

Webb came through with pledges for $1,265. Hansen paid off his end of the bargain the next day.

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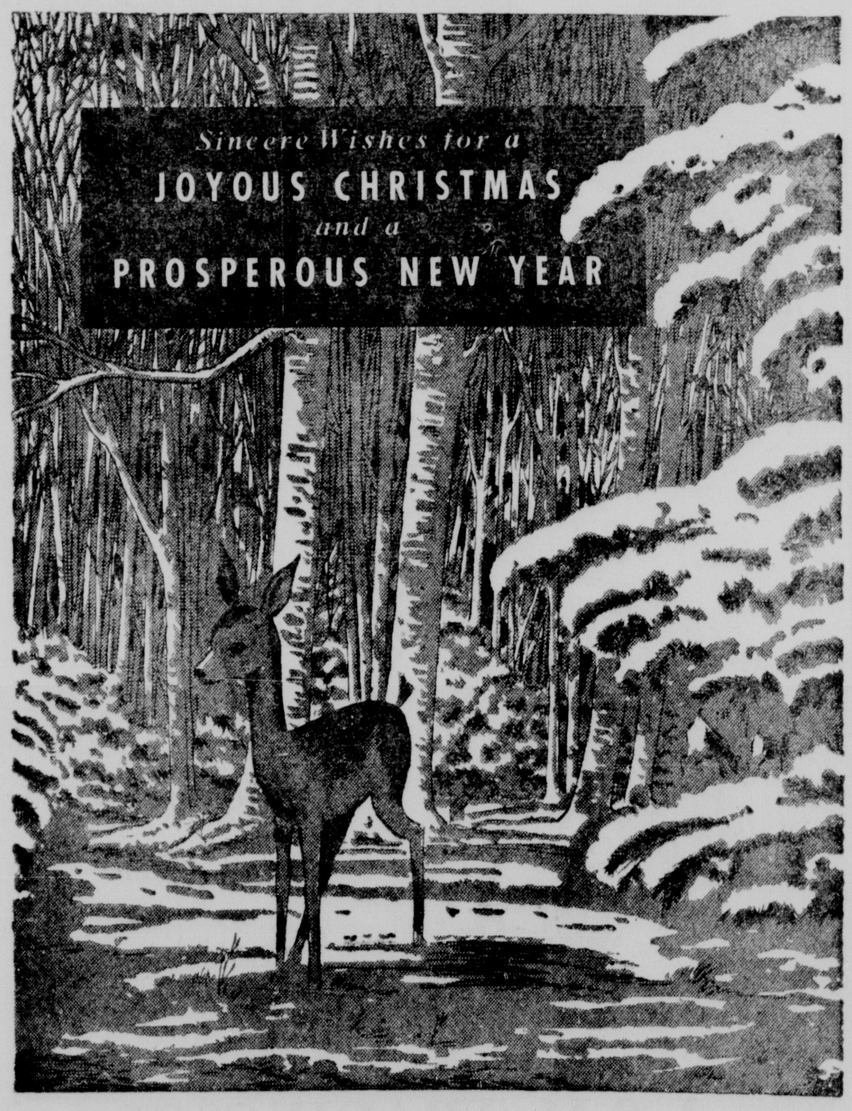

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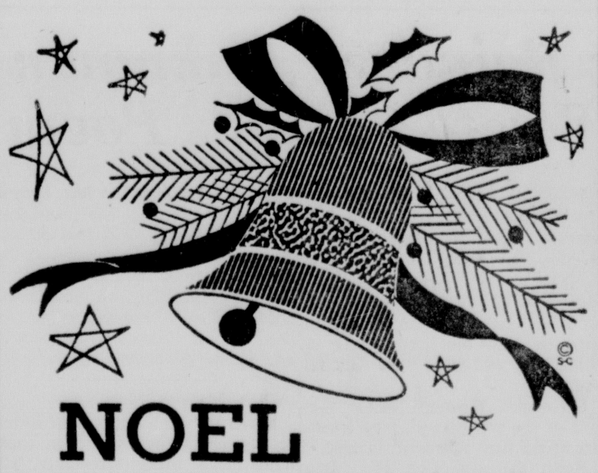

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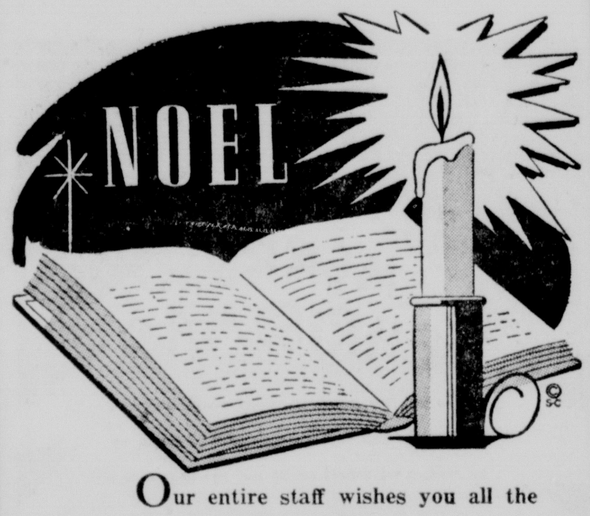

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Jolly St. Nick, Flying Reindeer Unknown Until Columbia Prof Wrote Famous Poem

By SYD KRONISH
AP Newsfeatures

A flowing white beard, twinkling eyes, cherry red nose and a round belly like a bowlful of jelly.

This right jolly old elf, of course, is our beloved Santa Claus. Almost any kid today could tell you that.

But, a little over a century ago, children went to bed on Christmas Eve without visions of sugar plums dancing in their heads or thoughts of eight tiny reindeer pulling a miniature sleigh full of toys.

The reason? Nobody could agree as to exactly what St. Nick looked like. That is, until Dr. Clement Clarke Moore, a professor at Columbia University in New York, wrote his now famous poem that starts: 'Twas the Night Before Christmas . . ."

Up to that time St. Nicholas was anything a parent might wish to impose on his child—a figure tall or short, fat or thin, happy or stern.

But Dr. Moore changed all that with his portrait in words entitled "A Visit From Saint Nicholas."

He wrote it on Christmas Eve, 1822, for his own children. And it might have sunk into obscurity had not Harriet Butler heard it read at the Moore home. She was the daughter of the rector of St. Paul's Church in Troy, N.Y.

She asked permission to read it to the children of her father's parish. She also sent the poem, minus the author's name, to the editor of the Troy, N.Y., Sentinel. It appeared there for the first time on Dec. 23, 1823.

The editor, Orville Holley, wrote: "We do not know to whom we are indebted for the following description of that unwearied patron of children, that homely but delightful personification of parental kindness—Santa Claus, his costume and his equipage, as he goes about visiting the firesides of his happy land, laden with Christmas bounties, but from whomsoever it may have come, we give thanks for it."

It didn't appear with the author's name attached until 1837 when it came out in a book entitled "The New York Book of Poetry."

In 1830 the Sentinel employed a wood engraver named Myron King to draw the first picture of Santa to go with their annual poem.

Cartoonist Thomas Nast's version of the red garbed, pipe smoking Santa first appeared in 1869.

From this beginning the Santa Claus we know today has spread all over the world. The poem has been translated into dozens of languages—creating everywhere the same picture of joy and generosity, the same feeling of unbounded goodfellowship represented in its final words: "Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

Hot and Heavy Air

WASHINGTON (AP)—The two major political parties did more campaigning by air in 1956 than ever before.

"Planes," official publication of the Aircraft Industries Assn., reported that the Republican and Democratic candidates for president and vice president as well as the "truth squads" registered 220,000 air miles. The previous high was the 178,275 in 1952.

When Marines Meet

MARION, Ohio (AP) — Two former Marines who hadn't seen each other since 1945 met recently, but it wasn't a planned reunion.

R. Darl Caldwell, manager of a supermarket here, was robbed of $5,000 and kidnapped by four bandits. They dumped him, bound and gagged, in a roadside ditch. Caldwell managed to free himself and hail a passing car.

In the car was Alfred Beley of Delaware, Ohio, who served with Caldwell in the Marine Corps during World War II. The two hadn't seen each other since April, 1945. They plan a less hurried get-together later.

Most Are Pensioners---

Volunteer Group Supplies Santa Claus to City, US

By JOY MILLER

NEW YORK (AP) — There is more to being a street corner Santa Claus than wearing a red suit and beard and patting tots on the head.

It takes brotherly love, human charity and more Christian forbearance than you'd imagine. Then there's that business of cutting out garlic and onions so that the little lad who had tenderly confided his longing for a bicycle won't be overcome when Santa advises him of the prospects.

The Volunteers of America, a national religious and social welfare organization which posts a hundred Santas in New York and a thousand across the country, has made a science out of playing Santa. But it's a science with a heart.

As Col. John F. McMahon, national executive secretary, explains their training program, the men meet a couple of hours a day for 14 days to discuss the do's and don'ts, and to see them demonstrated.

The do's include attracting attention by waving to passersby and wishing them Merry Christmas, ringing their handbells loudly enough to be clearly heard, standing close to the chimney — into which the contributions are dropped — but not in front of it, keeping moustache and whiskers straight, being patient with little children.

The don'ts deal with not leaning on the chimney, visiting with friends while on duty, arguing, becoming over-familiar, obstructing traffic, smoking or eating or habilitation in the "Volunteers" garlic or onions.

Col. McMahon — the Volunteers' officers have military titles—says the most important rule, probably, is not promising children that they'll get the gifts they ask for, but sending them away hopeful and happy.

"Many of the children who talk to the street corner Santas are poorer kids whose parents maybe can't afford what the children ask. If the Santas say 'sure, you're get it, sonny," there may be many disappointed youngsters on Christmas morning. I tell them to say something like, 'Santa has lots of boys and girls to take care of, but he'll remember what you asked and if he can'...the indirect approach."

Many of the Santas are old age pensioners. Col. McMahon says these men feel they want to do something for someone else at Christmas, since the rest of the year they have people looking out for them. The pay isn't much — at most $6.50 a day with meals.

Christmas knows no boundaries..

Christmas is the time of peace and boundless good will. Our cordial good wishes to all. . .

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Merry Christmas

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... to all our friends and wishing you much happiness!

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Fifth and Osage Phone 313

Season's Greetings

May all the pleasures of a cheerful Christmas remain with you and help to keep you happy throughout the New Year.

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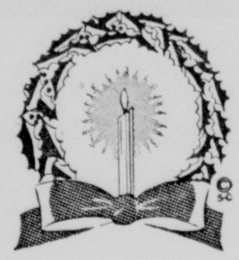

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Merry Christmas

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". . . . Unto Us a Child Is Born."

Part VIII

The Legacy - - Imperishable Footprints

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the last in a series of eight studies of the birth and times of Christ. It sets out to measure, as best man can, the impact of the historic event to be joyously commemorated in churches throughout the Christian world on Tuesday.

By GEORGE CORNELL
AP Newsfeatures

His footprints are on the earth. They are etched in the hills of Palestine and echo on the sidewalks of every city. His path stretches across all the continents. His mark is on the whole world.

It has felt, millions affirm, the reverberating tread of the Most High.

He arrived on a clear midnight —a Baby Boy.

Few recognized Him. He was born in poverty in an obscure corner of the ancient Roman empire, which took no notice of His coming, and He never journeyed more than 300 miles from His birthplace.

But He left His imperishable calling card at homes in every nation.

He was a healthy Baby, and precocious, but He never invented any new advices, originated any architectural techniques, or won any medals. He didn't leave any classic art or solve any equations of astronomy, chemistry or physics.

But He unmasked the deepest mystery of all.

He was a likable Child, but many thought He grew impractical. He never acquired any property, or owned anything but the cloak on his back, never held any office, or composed any written work, except some scribbling in the sand, and the wind blew this away.

But to much of mankind, He disclosed what God is like.

He was God, become man, so men could know God better.

This is the essence of those "tidings of great joy" to all people which the heavens proclaimed when He came. The good news was that "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

At the time, the world was full of dramatic, ingeniously conceived gods. Glittering Rome was at its zenith of power, and Alexandria was the crown jewel of literature and learning, with philosophy exuding fine subtleties.

But the real, unknown capitol of life was in Bethlehem.

Some say there are no miracles. But read the record of that Child—reared in drab surroundings, known as a roving carpenter-preacher in rustic villages, finally hung as a criminal—Who raised a scepter over humanity.

From Him, here radiated a rushing, invincible force that swept past the resistance of swords, dungeons, executions, battlements and slaughter to burn His name into the pillars of civilization.

But the coming of one Child, into a poor family in a beaten and bled vassal province, cut through the murk of flamboyant mythology and vaunted theories to convince men that God walked with them.

All the mental gymnastics of various cultures — of the Greek analysts who offered their sleek explanations shortly before Him, of the Stoics who called God an impersonal logos unconcerned with individuals, of the Epicureans who termed religion nonsense and only the body real, of the sweeping "mysteries," the idols backed by entrenched priesthoods and wealth —all this shriveled before the impact of a Child.

Why?

An answer trumpets through the record:

Because He is "the Image of the Invisible God."

Because He is "the Way, the Truth and the Life."

It must be that He lived, spoke and acted in a way that made the few around Him know, beyond all doubt, that their deepest

THE TRINITY—A study by Guy Rowe.

aspiration was inherent in this Man—that they were seeing God.

From ages past, Judaism, that most ancient of faiths believing in the supreme God, had recognized men were His creatures—His children created in "His own image." But what was this Image?

To those who bear His name, the Christ Child gave the answer: "I and My Father are One . . . He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father."

And when He departed the earth, He said God will "give you another comforter . . . the Holy Ghost . . . that He may abide with you forever . . . even the Spirit of Truth."

He gave to them a clearer view, an earthly demonstration, of just what God constituted on this earth-bound plane, and laid the goal before men—to guide them on their course.

What did He do, or say, or be that gave such revelation?

He was a plain-talking, sympathetic, forthright man Who liked flowers and fields and livestock, Who held youngsters on His knee, Who considered every man, rich, poor, learned or simple, of the same priceless worth.

His message was that all men are related to God, free to husband that divine part of themselves as they choose in seeking fulfillment, and He described the ultimate potentiality:

"That they all may be one, as thou Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one of Us."

But this Child of Bethlehem didn't shut Himself off in some ethereal realm during His earthly sojourn. He plunged into the world itself, walking a breathing definition of forgiveness, kindness, understanding, and gentleness; a living condemnation of hyprocrisy, of pompous technicalities that have nothing to do with justice, and of greed and the pursuit of shallow objectives.

And the kernel of all He did and said was in one word: "Love."

"Love the Lord thy God, and thy neighbor as thyself . . . as I have loved you."

That, men hold, was what God was like during His visit to earth: He came here out of love, to help men find their way, and that is what He was while here—the embodiment of love.

"God is Love. And he that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God and God in him."

He bridged a gap of loneliness separating men from their God. He marked the hidden trail by which lost sheep could find the fold. But He didn't expect men to understand it all, or all of what He is, or what they are, or can be. And so He passed on this advice through His apostles.

"Now we cannot yet see all things . . . But we see Jesus."

In declaring these aspects of God, He displayed a mystic diffusion, the Trinity—God, His Incarnation as Man, His Spirit, all united — "and those Three are One."

But it was in that birth in Bethlehem "in the likeness of men . . . in the fashion as a man"—of One called both wholly man and wholly God—that the world received the lamp unto its feet.

He came as a living, tangible manifestation of the divinity that all men share—a quality to be enlarged or diminished within themselves on both sides of the grave.

Until He came, men had felt they didn't know exactly what that godly element was in human life, or how to go about nurturing it, or what pitfalls might limit it—until He showed them God, in flesh and word and deed.

Check That Gun

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A highway patrolman, bringing in a prisoner for drunk driving, stopped at the desk to check his gun. It's a rule that officers can't take their pistols near the jail where prisoners might grab them.

As the patrolman slapped his pistol on the desk, the prisoner reached into his pocket and brought out his own gun.

"Here," he said, "you better take mine, too."

Police were so embarrassed they refused to give out the name of either the patrolman or his prisoner.

Broadway, New York's center of theatrical and night life, was first named by early Dutch settlers as "de Herre Straat," which means grand or lordly.

The Spirit of Christmas

By Barbara Guymon
Democrat News Staff

There is one thing better than the observance of Christmas Day, and that is keeping Christmas. It is a good thing to observe Christmas Day, by stopping work and making merry together, but unless one is willing to forget what he has done for other people, and to remember what others have done for him, he cannot keep Christmas. In order to keep Christmas, a person must be willing to consider the needs and desires of other people; to remember that there are the poor, lonely, bereaved and aged ones who may not be privileged to observe Christmas Day with feasting and fun as we do in this great country of America.

In the days of ancient peoples, many Christians were persecuted and put to death when they tried to replace the heathen festivals with the Christmas celebration. This mere fact should cause the modern age to be grateful for those who sacrificed their lives to give us the celebration for what it is really meant — the birth of Christ.

The early Puritans in America did not celebrate Christmas, and until 1687 it was not legal to have a Christmas dinner or to give a Christmas gift. Any colonist caught eating "minced pie" on Christmas was fined! Imagine how we Americans would feel if we had to worry about someone catching us gluttonously feasting upon a roast turkey with dressing and giblet gravy and so many other good things to eat!

One cannot sincerely keep Christmas without the Christmas spirit. What is the Christmas spirit? It is not entirely a matter of generosity. Many seem to think if they are generous with their gifts, they have observed the true Christmas spirit. We usually find these people will give lavishly to those who are positioned to bestow lavish gifts in return, but they have little concern for the many needy people in this troubled world.

No, the true Christmas spirit means "having the Holy Spirit of Christ" within us. With the only objective being to help other people, regardless of the time and means put into it, and regardless of the results, we can have the Christmas spirit and thus be able to keep Christ in Christmas.

It seems as though Santa Claus has stolen the show. Everybody honors Santa Claus, but only a few honor Jesus. However, that jolly little fellow dressed in red can play a big part in the teaching of kindness and giving. This fictional being has many of the Christ-like characteristics which, I believe, can help a child see Jesus and also help him to learn the essence of "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Let us this year observe Christmas Day with feasting and with Santa Claus and the decorated evergreen tree, but far more important, let us keep Christmas with the story of Jesus in Scripture, song and drama.

True Alarm

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., (AP) — Police weren't very enthusiastic when they answered a burglar alarm at a department store one night.

They really didn't expect the catch a burglar — the alarm had been going off accidentally about once a month.

But officers did find somebody in the store — a salesman who had been locked in by mistake. The alarm had sounded accidentally while he was trying to let himself out.

Not So Free

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Clarence Osborne was judged "Safe Driver of the Week" by the Augusta Lions Club and was awarded six months of free parking.

He pasted the sitcker—countersigned by the police chief—on the rear window of his car as instructed—and within 48 hours had received three tickets for overparking.

"I can't afford all this free parking," he complained. And red-faced police excused the tickets.

Costlier Rib

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—The price squeeze appears to be on the squeeze price according to hospital records. Last August it cost a 50-year-old Richmond woman $13 for repairs to a cracked rib she received when hugged too enthusiastically by her husband. And now the hospital reports a 48-year-old woman has been treated for the same trouble, caused the same way. But her bill was $18.

Sweeping Duties

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Dust pans and brooms have become standard equipment for Tucson police cars so that officers may sweep up glass at scenes of traffic accidents.

The Apache and Navajo, two of Arizona's fourteen counties, have Indian populations that equal or exceed the white populations.

THE SEDALIA DEMOCRAT

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A Rolling Thief Gathers

KENILWORTH, N. J., (AP) — A pack of city officials took to their heels the other morning. They had to. Stolen in the same morning were:

The car of borough clerk Philip McGevna; the car of superintendent of roads James Rego; a city payloader tractor.

Thieves apparently didn't know George Conklin was no longer police chief for his car was stolen, too.

New Jersey has received $43,963,210 in revenue from 10 years of racing at the Atlantic City race track.

Hens or Roosters

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — What will you have, hens or roosters?

By a new egg dipping process, a poultry research expert says, science can control the sex of a chick before it is born.

George Blackburn of a Vineland, N.J., poultry research firm, says details of the process are still secret. But poultrymen at Michigan State University believe it involves forcing hormones under pressure through the porous eggshell.

The only sun-cured tobacco market in the world is in Richmond, Va.

The shepherds and the wise men came to worship Him, the holy Babe of Bethlehem. May the spirit of that long ago time be with you this Christmas.

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Joy to the World...

In a world torn with strife, suffering and slavery, these words seem to have little meaning. But the joyous message of the angel centuries ago brought hope then, and it will ever be so to those who love God and try to serve Him. Let us hope and pray that the peoples of all nations will some day come in adoration to the feet of the Savior where peace and happiness will abide forever. This is our sincere wish.

INDUSTRIAL LOAN
and Investment Company
Sedalia Trust Building
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Courtesy Metropolitan Museum of Art

Icky and Sticky to the Rescue

By Joella Brereton
Society Editor

Once upon a time there were two real-gone gremlins named Icky and Sticky. Now Icky and Sticky had passed gremlin school with crashing honors, having learned all the fine techniques developed in World War II of gumming up the works in airplanes, causing them to crash.

After an internship cut short by the gremlin shortage, these cool grems were assigned to their own B-47 on a Middle West installation They needed more help on a plane the size of a B-47, but that's another story.

Shortly before Christmas, Icky and Sticky were alerted that their plane was flying to Alaska, to a base near the North Pole, and that fur-lined flight suits were in order. After donning the suits, the two grems dragged out to the plane shortly before take-off.

The B-47 left with a JATO (jet-assisted take-off), having a little trouble since Icky and Sticky borrowed one of the rockets to heat the coffee.

As the plane winged northward, Icky and Sticky began to foul up the de-icers, clog the valves of various units, and to play music on the radio antenna, producing a beautiful symphony of static, blocking out the control tower.

But the pilot counter-checked each move, and the plane hurled up, up toward the blue-black sky. Soon Icky and Sticky, who had forgotten how to keep warm at high altitudes, were inoperative and huddled on the rudder, trying to warm up. They sat shivering, watching the white earth speed by below.

They were even so cold that when the plane began to refuel from a KC-97, they were unable to go to the boom and keep it away from the gas tank. This had been stressed as the easiest way to make a jet crash, but they only set hugging each other to keep warm.

Hours passed before the great ship came upon the brightly lighted landing strip in the Alaskan darkness, touched down smoothly and taxied to the apron. The pilot and crew deplaned after making final checks, stretching their stiff legs and arms.

"Come on, fellas! Let's get out of this cold." And the crew left the plane with the ground crew which blocked the wheels, covered the jet engines with hoods, refueled her and were soon gone, leaving only the cold gremlins.

Icky looked at Sticky and whispered in a hoarse voice, "This cat's c-c-cool in more than one way. Let's shag off this vehicle and grab a cup of java."

Sticky rubbed his hands together. "I'm with you, Dad."

So these real cool grems swaggered off to the Grems Mess Hall under Hangar No. 5.

A blast of hot air rocked them on their frozen feet as the two entered the hall, and the sweet smell of hot coffee and donuts teased their noses.

"Man, this layout is the most! Dig that cr-a-zy music box!" And Icky raced over to the juke box and slugged it with his loose geet. "Ah-h, sheer bliss, man, sheer bliss."

"Come on! Let's get with the java, Dad." And Sticky placed his hand on Icky's shoulder.

They got the java and set down by the music box which was blaring out a song about a hound, when they became aware of the stares of the other grems. They looked around at the gang and not a smile did they dig.

Then suddenly there stood before them a real solid grem, and he looked at them with hooded eyes.

"You squares better drag out of here. We don't want inoperative operators around."

Icky and Sticky looked at each other.

"Why, man, what do you mean?" Icky scowled.

"Dad, did you go round the bend? Us, inoperative!" Sticky snorted.

"Sure I mean it, squares. Several of our monitoring grems reported that you didn't come over after the plane gained altitude. Now get a move on, or we'll have to show you the way." He spun on his heel, tossing over his shoulder, "And don't bother to come back."

Icky and Sticky shrugged their shoulders, went out to the foyer and propped themselves against the wall, munching on their donuts.

"Doesn't that take it! These cats have been away from civilization too . . . "

"Shhh . . . I hear voices emoting from round the corner, Icky." Sticky peered into the semi-darkness, then tiptoed around the corner.

And Sticky saw two brightly costumed little men whispering loudly and gesturing wildly with their arms.

"But how will we get the material needed to build the planes if we can't get it here? Will you tell me how!" One little man flung out his hand elegantly.

"I don't know, but Santa said that they would have it here, and since they don't, I guess we won't be able to make the planes this Christmas."

"We don't have time to look anywhere else." The other little man dropped his head onto his chest.

Icky turned to Sticky. "Dig those squares, man. Sounds like they have pains."

"That it does, Dad. Let's listen in some more," and Icky put a hand to his ear.

One of the little men glanced up and saw the two grems standing there, and came over to them.

"Can you help us, sir?" asked the one in the bright green outfit.

"Hey, square! Did you address me as sir?" And Icky laughed and laughed.

The little man looked at him with amazment. "Why, yes I did. Is there something wrong?"

"No . . . " Icky gasped for breath. "No, there's nothing wrong with that, square . . . "

"Pipe down and let's hear what this schmoe has to say." Sticky nudged Icky. "Go ahead."

"Well . . . you work here, and . . . no? you don't work here?

"Oh."

"We thought that maybe you could help us. We are elves and work in Santa Claus' workshop."

"Wait a sec, man. Who is this Daddio — this Santa Claus — that you are alluding to?" Icky cocked his head to one side and looked quizically at the elves.

"You don't know who Santa Claus is?" He shook his head and turned to his friend who was brightly dressed in red. They both shook their heads.

"Santa Claus is one of the nicest and kindest men in the world. Every year on December 24 he takes toys to little girls and boys if they have been good, and he fills their stockings. He also places gaily wrapped packages under the Christmas trees.

"Every boy and girl is remembered by Santa Claus with a gift, even if they have just moved to someplace different." The elf beamed.

Icky pursed his lips and arched his eyebrows, "Oh!"

Sticky glanced at him, "Say, Dad, that daddio sounds like a square, but well rounded." They looked at the elf in the green suit.

"As I was about to say," he went on, "Santa has had so many orders for toy airplanes that we have run out of material. Santa thought we coula get some here." The words tumbled out. "But we can't find anything, not even a scrap. We were told that there was material available at a SAC base in Missouri."

"Missouri!" The grems exclaimed.

The elf nodded. "Yes, Missouri. And if we took the time to go all the way down there, we wouldn't be able to work on anything else, or even get the planes ready in time." Tears came to his eyes. "I guess a lot of little boys and even some little girls will have to go without toy airplanes this year. Oh, my!" He heaved a sigh.

Icky's eyes opened wide. "You mean that a lot of little kids won't be happy this Christmas? I've seen a lot of kids at the base where we are stationed and they are a lot of fun if they are happy." He shook his head.

"Man, there must be some way to save the day."

REMEMBER THEM?—If you were a movie fan back in the Roaring Twenties, you'll be glad to know that some of your favorite stars are still around and doing fine, thank you. Pictured above as they gathered recently in New York are, left to right, Patsy Ruth Miller; Lila Lee; Leatrice Joy; Nita Naldi and Dagmar Godowsky. The one-time screen greats are shown below as they looked in their heyday.

Sticky shrugged his shoulders. "I didn't know about this Daddio bringing the presents, but I did know how the kids felt about Christmas. But what can be done?" He stared at the ceiling.

Then the green elf, who had been whispering to his companion, laid a hand on Icky's shoulder, and one on Sticky's, and shook his head. "We appreciate your interest and concern, but we don't know what to do, either.

"It's too bad someone couldn't hitch a ride on one of these planes and go to that base, but . . . "

"What did you say the name of the base is?" Icky reached out to the elf, who told him. "Cr-a-zy, man! What have we been standing here for!"

"This cat and I just came from that base, and we'll be going right back. Why, we can requisition whatever you need and speed it on its way."

"We can?" Sticky drew back and looked at Icky. "Are you crazy, Dad? We just got the shaft from the grems here, and I bet from the grems stateside, too. Who are you trying to kid?"

"Can it, son. If we spread this tale, then who can turn us down? It's not for us, Man, it's for Daddio Claus, these squares here and all the kids in the world. Am I not right?" He turned again to the elves, who beamed and nodded in agreement.

Icky began a rock and roll round the hall. "Oh, man, is this the neatest! From now on you squares have it golden, and I mean solid. Just cue us in, and we will oblige you one and all."

Soon his gay spirits infected Sticky, who got in the swing of things, and pressed for more details, too.

The elves gave the grems a long list of needed materials, and it was agreed that the elves would pick up the material at the base.

"We'll tell Santa to be looking for this, and we'll tell him how nice you both are."

The elves began to whistle and dance around with the grems.

Suddenly the loudspeaker blared out that the grems plane was to be prepared for flight.

The grems shook hands with the elves before slipping into their flight suits, waved and scurried off to the flight line.

The two elves locked arms and went out to watch the grems' plane take off. They began waving as it taxied by where they stood and then waved until it was no longer even a speck of light in the dark sky.

"Well," the green elf heaved another sigh, "I guess Santa was right, because we have found a way."

"But," said the red elf, "what if they were just fooling? Gremlins aren't very nice, usually. They cause wrecks and everything else. How can we rely on them?"

"I'm ashamed of you! You have to trust your brothers, and have love for them." He shook his head. "Come on! We've got to take the news to Santa." And the elves scampered down from their perch and went to a shed where a reindeer was hidden.

They clamored onto the reindeer's back, got a tight hold on his reins and cried, "Let's go-o!" And the reindeer took a hop and a skip and was airborne.

Icky chattered about the elves all the way to the base, and when the plane landed, he jumped off and raced for the Grems Mess Hall under the huge Maintainance Hangar, with Sticky right behind him.

Icky slammed open the door and yelled out, "Hey, you cats! Bend an ear in this direction! I've got the most to tell, man!" And he leaped onto a table, pulling off his gloves and helmet.

The grems seated at the tables or standing by the jukebox turned and stared, and a few hooted, "All right, Daddio, come across."

And Icky proceeded to tell about the squares they had met, and about the predicament that Santa, a real-gone Daddio, was in.

The crowd grew quiet as he told what it would mean to the kids of the world not to have the airplanes.

"Gang! Since we are concerned with airplanes in our occupation . . . " A laugh swept the group. "I think it only right that we do our part. Now, I have a list here, and you can look it over. If you find something you think you can requisition without too much trouble, check it off. Sticky and I will get as much as we can, and will see about routing the material. Are you with me?"

A roar swept through the mess hall as the gremlins cheered. "Sure we are, Dad." And then they all rushed up to shake his and Sticky's hands and pound them on the back.

Soon personnel on the base began to notice that small objects were disappearing daily, including paper clips, rubber bands, radio knobs, pieces of plywood and balsam, small metal rods, pieces of aluminum, and in one case, an ash tray encircled with a rubber tire. But no one could find who was taking the things.

The Grems kept a steady flow of material into the mess hall where Icky and Sticky had three other grems packing small cargo boxes. They were also assigning material to different grems who were headed north.

Five days before Christmas, when all the material had been airlifted north, Icky and Sticky were winging northward themselves, having hitched a ride on a KC-97. After all the work they had been doing, they had to see how the squares were making it with the material they sent.

Before the tanker had come to a full stop, the grems had slid down the side of the plane, letting the backwash blow them over to the hangar where the Grems Mess Hall was.

"Whew! I hope our reception is more favorable now, Dad." Icky wiped his brow. "Our compatriots should have spoken for the cause."

"Come on, man! You sound like a radical or a textbook."

So, pulling back their shoulders, the two gremlins entered the mess hall.

The murmur of the large group of grems ceased as Icky and Sticky came in. The juke box yelled, part of a song, "You're the Only One I Ever Loved," then broke off.

Icky and Sticky stood by the door, heads thrown back definitely, shoulders pulled back and knees shaking like gourds in the wind. Their eyes darted this way and that, and they waited for someone to speak.

Then in one voice, all the gremlins in the hall shouted, "Three cheers. Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah! Yeah! Icky and Sticky!" Then four grems rushed forward, tossed Icky and Sticky on their shoulders, and began to march around the room

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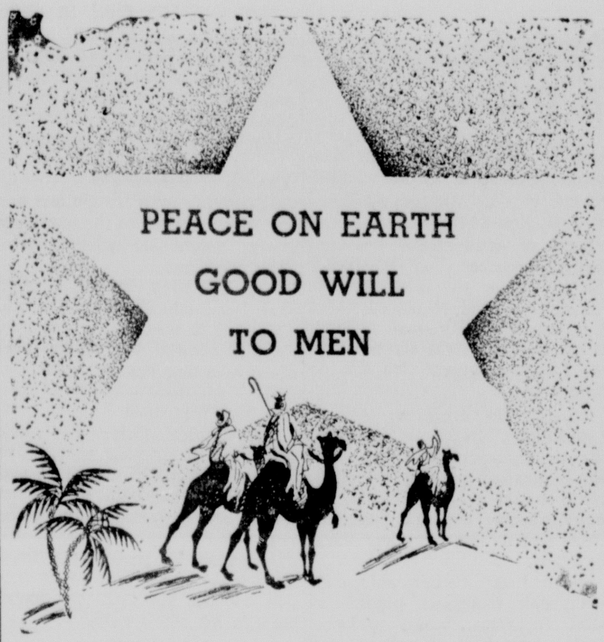

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GOOD WILL
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May the star of Bethlehem shed its light of peace and contentment on you this Christmas Day.

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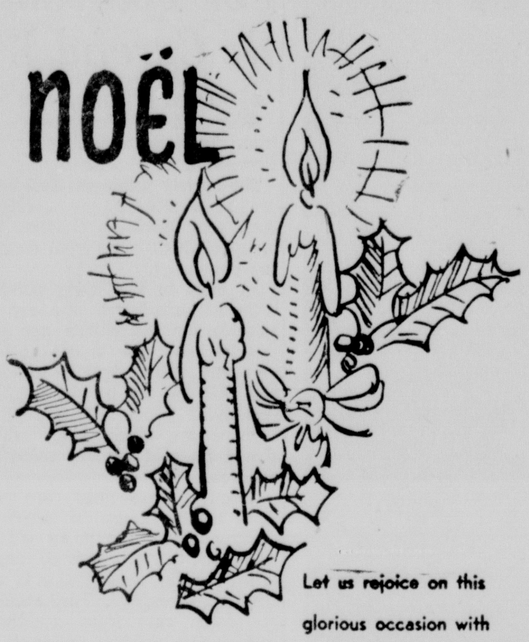

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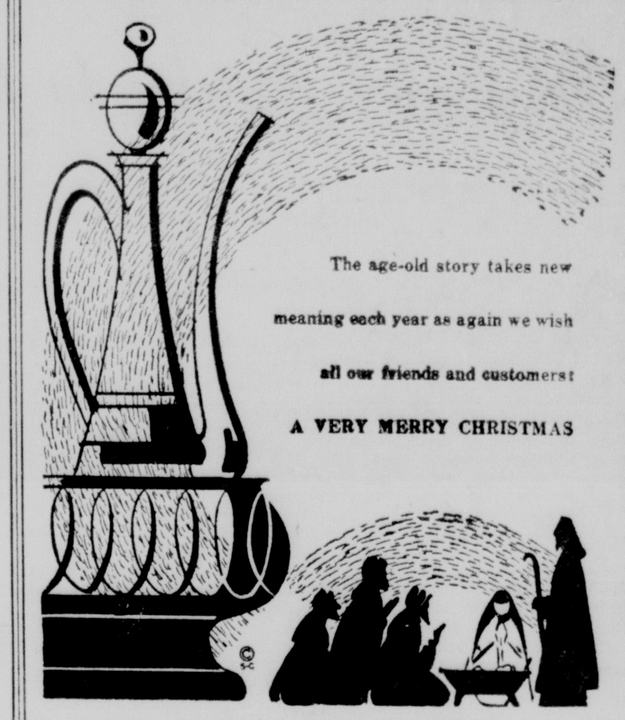

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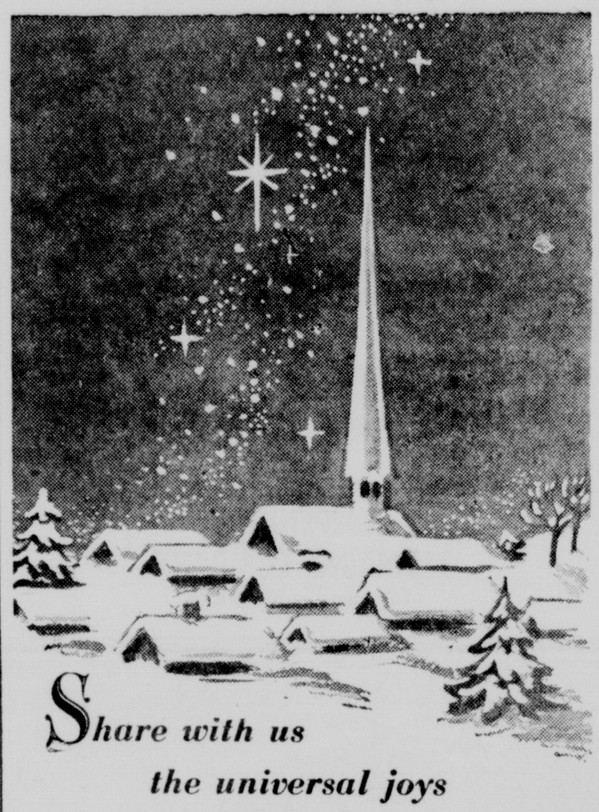

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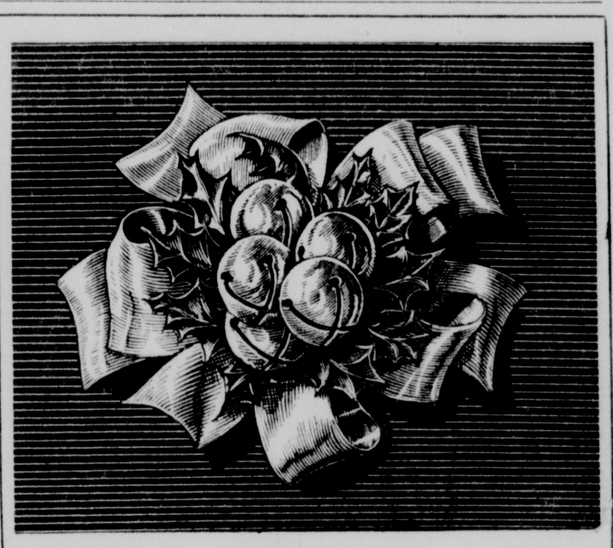

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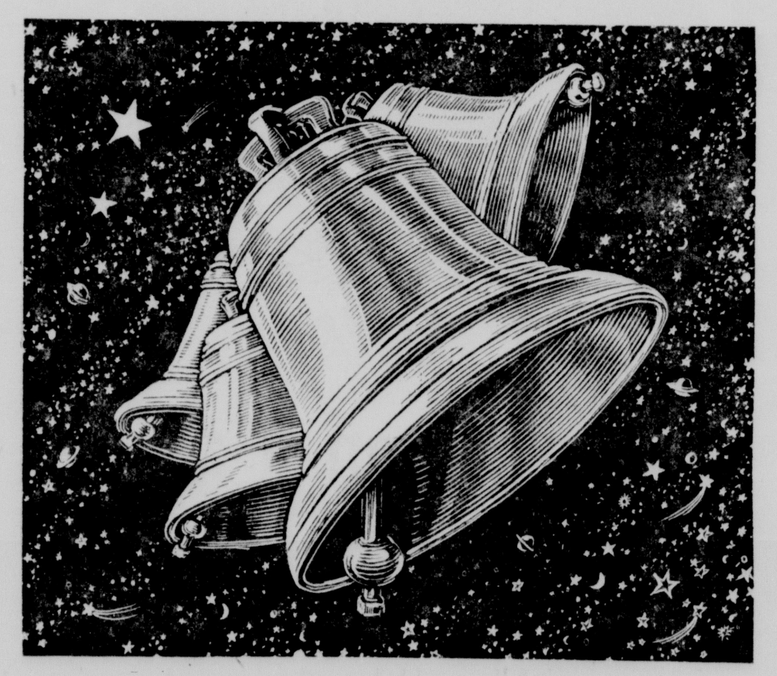

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Icky and Sticky to the Rescue

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with all the other grems falling in behind, cheering wildly.

Icky and Sticky looked at each other with amazement, their mouths hanging open. They were taken to the front of the hall and looked over the sea of faces below them.

Suddenly the cheering stopped, there was a slight pause and then the words, "Merry Christmas!" rolled across the room again and again, with the two joining in.

Then voices began to clamor, "Speech! Speech!"

The door to the hall slammed open and the two elves that the grems had befriended burst into the room.

"Icky! Sticky! Come quick! We need your help!" And they tugged

at the grems' legs. "Please, please, come help us!" They looked up with begging eyes.

Icky jumped down. "What's wrong! Didn't you get everything?"

"Yes, yes. But . . . but the planes we made won't fly, and we don't know what's wrong."

The other elf chimed in, "And we knew that gremlins caused 'bugs' in planes and thought you would know what was wrong. Please come to Santa's with us." And he tugged at their sleeves.

Both Icky and Sticky nodded, waved to their fellow grems and followed the elves who led them to the shed where the reindeer was.

Icky looked at the reindeer and exclaimed, "Well, dig this, man! It'll take a year to get to the North Pole on this antiquated bit of fur."

The reindeer stamped his foot and the green elf said flatly, "He flies."

"Flies! That's solid, real solid. A furry fortress! Cr-a-zy. But how do you get aboard?"

"Silly, just walk up his leg like this," and the elves scampered up. "Come on! We haven't all night, fellas. We have a deadline to meet!"

Icky crawled up the reindeer leg and reached down to help Sticky.

"Dad, you're not getting me up in one of those things. It doesn't look air-worthy."

"Man, don't be such a square. You heard the man. There's a deadline to meet." And he yanked Sticky up, and boosted him onto the reindeer's back.

The elves told the grems to hang on tight, then getting a tight grip on the reins, they called, "Let's go-o-o!"

The white earth slid by beneath the flying reindeer, and the cold wind whistled by the ears of the elves and grems. Icky yelled, "I'd like to see the instructor in problems class figure out this one!" Sticky merely nodded, swallowed hard and got a tighter grip.

The reindeer began to lose altitude, skimming along the trees.

"Pull up on the stick! Pull up!

We'll crash!" Sticky yelled at the elf in front of him.

"No. We're just making an approach. The workshop is just ahead."

And sure enough, the two grems saw a huge, well-lighted building before them, with smaller buildings on all sides. The reindeer dropped steadily, then his feet touched the ground with a small clatter and he trotted over to the building where the elves and Santa and Mrs. Claus waited to greet the grems.

Santa chuckled heartily as the grems hastily slid off the reindeer, and shook hands with them. "I've heard a lot about you," he laughed, "and I'm glad you could come and help us get our airplanes airborne."

Mrs. Claus led the way into the house saying, "You boys will need something to warm you p before you start working. I have just the thing—hot chocolate." She smiled over her shoulder at them.

The two grems and their two elf friends entered the cozy room, made warm by a fire in the huge fireplace. A large Christmas tree, gaily decorated, was placed in one corner. There was a cheery feeling throughout the house.

But there was no time for the grems to stretch out in front of the fire. Only three more days until Christmas Eve, and the airplanes had to be "debugged."

After having their chocolate, the grems were taken to a workshop where hundreds of planes of all sizes and description were stacked or piled.

"There they are," Santa shook his head, "and none of them can fly. I've never had such a hectic year. It must be an atmospheric condition. Well, best of luck, Icky, Sticky. If you need anything, just tell any of us." Santa left to check on other toys.

So Icky and Sticky took off their flight suits, rolled up their sleeves, and became the first gremlins to ever "debug" planes. They each took a plane, checking everything from propeller to the rudder, from the wings to the landing gear, from the motor to the fuselage. Nothing was left unchecked.

Gradually small defects were located, new parts made, wings balanced, million of small details checked. And the hands of the clock kept ticking, ticking, with precious minutes rocketing by.

On Christmas Eve morning, Icky adjusted a prop on his last plane, and Sticky secured a landing wheel on his. They both heaved big sighs, rubbed their eyes, then called to

Santa that everything was finished, and that he could fill each list.

"Well, man, I think we've done all right, but I've had it."

"Let me tell you, Dad, I've never done so much work in all my life. I think I'll take an early vacation and unlax."

But these two worthy cats weren't to rest.

From lip to lip the bad news came from Santa's H.Q. that the chariot wouldn't hold all of the cargo.

A special meeting was called of all the elves, who rushed to Santa's living room to mull over the problem, joined by the grems.

Santa looked at each elf, nodded to the grems, then placed his hands behind his back.

"My little helpers!" He sighed. "It seems that this is just not our year. You all know how we had trouble getting priority on some of the material, how we ran out of the material before the airplanes could be made, how we finally got that material only because two nice gremlins chose to help us, how we found so many "bugs" in the planes that it took the same two gremlins to help us get them airborne, and now, how we have a lack of space in the sleigh."

He spread his arms out wide.

"I am sorry all of your untiring

work has gone to naught, because we will not be able to deliver the toys to all of the children this year.

"It makes me sad to think that so many children will not be able to have their gifts this year, and will lose their faith in you and me.

"But, my little elves, that is how things are, and all there is to do is to load the sleigh as tight as we can, and take what toys we can." Santa bit his lip and shook his head.

A low cry went through the assembled group. The little elves numbly turned and started toward the workrooms where the beautiful toys awaited.

"Hey, Daddio!" Icky jumped up and waved his hand at Santa who was just leaving. "Wait a sec, man! The light just turned on in my attic!" He rushed to the front of the room, pushing through the elves who had stopped and stared at him.

"It's the most, man! Sticky and I were able to requisition all the material you squares needed with help of our friends, so I bet that we can do likewise with a flying boxcar or two to help airlift your cargo."

Santa looked at him with wide eyes. "Icky, you really think you can?"

"I know we can, Dad." Sticky had joined the group. "Why, we'll just have some of our grem friends divert some of the planes this way, and the elves, Icky and I will load them up."

"Sure, Daddio, and Sticky and

I better scat down to that base PDQ and get the ball rolling."

And so, one Christmas not so long ago, Santa and his reindeer flew with a heavy load of toys for the world, stopping at strategic spots to reload the sleigh and continue on the roof-to-roof route.

But if it hadn't been for two grems, real hep-cats, who decided to help two squares, there would have been another story to tell—a sad one at that.

EPIC OF FRUSTRATION—British comedian Tommy Trinder tries but fails to reach the inviting lips of actress Rosalyne Evans, 18, of Johannesburg, South Africa, during skit from a London revue entitled "United Nations." The pleasantly packaged Miss Evans wears an outfit dreamed up by Erte, a well-known French designer.

WOUND BY LIGHT — Actress Anne Heywood holds clock in London which uses daylight to power its works. Photo-electric cell transforms luminous energy into electricity.

Your Child's Health---

For Your Child's Sake, Be Careful With Poison

By EDWIN P. JORDAN, M.D.

A thought for Christmas comes from the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness.

The Society points out that there are about 100,000 eye accidents each year involving children and many of them come from dangerous playthings.

As hints to toy-buying parents, it is suggested that the toy be suitable for the child's age and that he know how to use it; that toys with sharp edges be avoided, and that the toy be put together sturdily.

There are other things which should be said for the safety of children.

Chemical poisonings are the third leading cause of death in children under six years old in New York City. There is no reason to believe that the situation is any different elsewhere. Furthermore, the death rate from accidental poisoning in children under six is something like four times that prevailing in England.

Drugs are responsible for nearly half of all poisonings, a New York study recently reported. Aspirin, particularly the kinds which are flavored or candied, was the chief offender and was responsible for sixteen out of one hundred poisonings.

Drugs of the barbiturate family were next in line. These were followed by dangerous cosmetics and a wide range of household preparations, including bleaches, cleaning fluids, kerosene, lye, rodent poisons and insecticides.

It is particularly significant that forty out of one hundred of the poisonings studied in New York were the result of injurious agents which were available in open places, such as the floor, sink, table, dresser, open shelf or chair. Except for a few instances the children poisoned swallowed the substance because it was easy to get.

Tragedies caused by swallowing chemical poisons can usually be avoided by greater care on the part of parents. Potentially dangerous substances should be placed out of sight and out of reach of their offspring.

Some of them should be eliminated altogether from the house, the garage or the basement. All remaining should be placed where it is impossible for small children to get at them. As a safety measure I should suggest that this be done now.

Recently the American Medical Association's Board of Trustees has recommended that a model law be drafted and put into effect which would require labeling of many possible harmful chemicals which now do not carry any warning signs.

Included are certain auto care and repair materials, paints and paint removers, putty, soldering fluids, household cleansers and polishers, heating and cooking fuels, laundering items, art supplies and toys containing chemicals.

Traffic Problem

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Do you live in a typical town?

G. P. Parmelee of Los Angeles, a leader at a state traffic safety conference, said a typical city of 16,000 has 33 lawyers, 22 doctors and not a single traffic engineer.

Change of Horsepower

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—No one can say "get a horse" to the operators of an automobile agency here. They have one.

Bud Templing trotted a good show horse into the salesroom and offered it in trade for a new car. He was allowed $600 on the purchase of a new station wagon.

His Aim Was Good

HENNESSEY, Okla. (AP) — Jack Doerr, a farmer near here, woke up in the middle of the night and through the moonlight thought he saw a badger looking him in the eye.

He got out his shotgun and fired through the window, then went outside to see his bag. He found holes in his wife's washtub.

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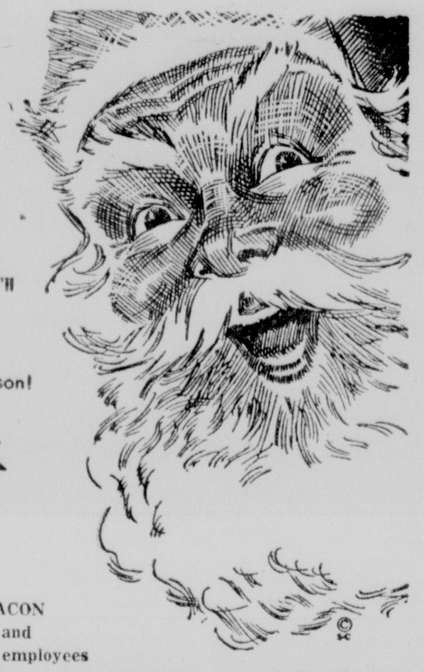

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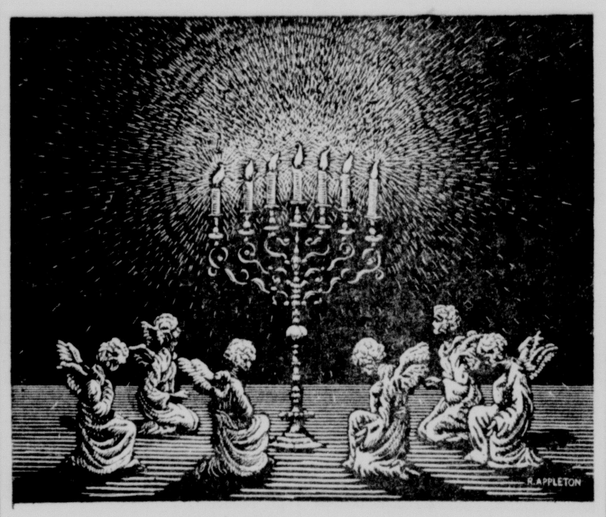

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'Chris' Herter Personifies Ike's New Republicanism

By KENNETH GILMORE
NEA Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON — (NEA) — A bushy-browed, Paris - born Ivy Leaguer with no knack for do-it-yourself can tell you plenty about President Eisenhower's "new Republicanism."

Six-foot-six Christian A. Herter practically personifies it. And as an important new appointee in the Administration, he leads the parade of fresh talent who'll help Ike carry out his second term objectives.

The popular Governor of Massachusetts is the best evidence yet of President Eisenhower's election night phrase that strikes the GOP political note for the next four years.

And when tweedy, bow - tied "Chris" Herter splashes into the big political pond here next January, it'll be like a duck coming back to water.

As a five - term Congressman, he's an old hand at navigating the Washington whirlpool. He also served as assistant to Herbert Hoover when the latter was Secretary of Commerce.

More important, however, he has the rigging that attracts him to Eisenhower, according to his friends and White House officials.

IKE AND "CHRIS" HERTER: Like a duck coming back to water.

They say, for example, that:

He's an intellectual but not an egghead, a Harvard grad who can chew the fat with South Boston Irish, a thinker but also a doer.

He's a savvy politician who can land a stiff punch when the infighting gets rough, but it's always above the belt.

He's an internationalist who'll buck for foreign aid but not a zealot who rubs conservatives the wrong way.

From the time he served as temporary U. S. Minister to Belgium at 22, Herter has specialized in foreign affairs. Since then he has learned to be as comfortable in international circles as in a Beacon Hill parlor.

While in Congress he was a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and was mainly responsible for getting the Marshall Plan through the lower house.

A large part of this success is attributable to the Herter personality.

"He's one of the shyest guys I've ever met," says a close friend, "but it's the kind that immediately puts you at ease."

Herter, who's 61, also has a reputation for courtesy, no matter what.

For example, at the annual governor's reception for the public last New Year's Day, a disgruntled office seeker approached Herter.

Within hearing of a number of people he made some extremely cutting remarks.

"I'm sorry you feel that way," came the police reply. "I hope you'll change your mind some day."

On occasions like these when 6,000 persons file by, Herter's arthritis difficulty shows. But he never tries to hide this chronic affliction.

He'll use a stand - up chair to support himself because of this muscular pain and stiffening of the joints.

"Sorry I'm not ony my feet," he'll say. "But this arthritis is troubling me a bit today."

Medical check-ups have assured Herter that this long time ailment is not spreading. It crops up every 18 to 20 months and causes considerable pain. In the last four years he has taken some cortisone treatments.

"I went through two very tough campaigns for governor, and I've been able to be on the job here in Massachusetts all the time," stresses Herter.

Arthritis also gives Herter a small limp and a slight stoop to his towering frame.

His height always bothers him anyway. Often he whacks his brown - haired, patrician head when climbing into cars.

"They'll never build an automobile that's high enough for me," he cracks.

This is characteristic of Herter who loves to poke fun at himself. He particularly makes jest of his do-it-yourself abilities.

"My wife claims the only thing I can do is screw in a light bulb," he explains with a grin in a cultured but pleasant voice. He has a Bostonian accent, but his A's are not as broad as those of his Republican colleague, Sen. Leverett Saltonstall.

As governor, Herter starts the day at the gold - domed State House in Boston at nine in the morning. And often he doesn't get back to his spacious home in the suburbs until late in the evening. In his spare time he likes to breed dogs.

For the record, he's not a painter of any kind even though his father was a professional artist in addition to being a diplomat.

And that's about the biggest difference between Christian Herter and Dwight Eisenhower.

K.P. FOR FUTURE KING—A very unroyal pose is struck by Crown Prince Constantine of Greece as he scrubs his mess kit in an Army camp near Athens. Accorded no special privileges, the 16-year-old is serving a training period in a commando batalion at the Raiding Forces Center in Vouliagmeni.

The Mature Parent---

Books We Read to Children Should Stimulate, Not Bore

By MRS. MURIEL LAWRENCE

When I was a child, if we were good about going to bed, Molly, our Irish nurse, would read a story to my brothers and me.

One such night after I'd just turned five, Molly opened a book she said was called "Alice in Wonderland." Much of what she read us that night I didn't understand. The White Rabbit disappointed me as just another of the interminable Bunnies which had populated my infancy's picture books.

But what I didn't understand was of no consequence compared to what I did understand. I shivered with delicious envy as Alice fell slowly down that rabbit hole past the shelf with the Orange Marmalade.

This kind of intense response to a child's book is given only to a great one. Once it is given by little boys or girls, it sets their standards of taste—and stimulates the interest in other books which promotes the development of their reading ability.

In a recent column, I made this point, suggesting that a child's interest in reading for himself grows out of his interest in being read to. Referring to it, a reader asks, "What books do you recommend reading to a child of five years?"

The great ones of childhood, both old and new—"Bambi," "The Jungle Books," the "Oz" and "Winnie the Pooh" books, "Charlotte's Web," "The Water Babies," "The Blue Bird," "Wind in the Willows," "The Adventures of Maya the Bee," "Pinocchio" — and all the others whose names any librarian can give you.

As we read these classics to a little boy or girl, we may have to edit a bit as we go along.

The point is, even though your 5-year-old will not grasp all that happens to "The Blue Bird's" Tyltl in the Land of Memory, what he will grasp will be truer, more stirring and forever memorable than what he gets out of a million books like "Little Piggy Wiggy and How He Lost His Oink Oink."

We often postpone reading these great books to youngsters from fear that they will be "beyond" them.

It's a typical modern fear. Today, Johnny must "understand" everything: Sex, industry, the agricultural problems of the Middle East, even the struggles of our social conscience. So when his literature isn't talking down to him with "Little Piggy Wiggy," it's giving him overearnest stories like "Jane and Joe Visit the Department of Public Welfare."

It makes for terrible literary boredom in children—and may explain some of the resistance behind reading disability.

Leopold Stokowski Says US Music Is Decentralized

By W. G. ROGERS
Associated Press Arts Editor

NEW YORK, Nov. 24 (AP)—"When I first came to this country," Leopold Stokowski said, "there wasn't any music except in New York and Boston.

"And when did you first come?" I asked.

The white-haired maestro smiled and waved that one off: "Don't ask me! I've been here forever. I came in the 17th century and a nice century it was, too. Some people think Columbus discovered America, but I did."

(As a matter of fact, he's spry and limber and young behaving; he has a romantic reputation that Columbus would have swapped a New World for; he likes new young music and plays it.)

"Well whenever you came," I went on, "things have changed?"

"Music is decentralized."

"Isn't this still a one-music-city country, though? And isn't New York it?"

"Houston," he said.

"What do you mean, Houston?"

He was smiling again. If this is a one-music-city country, the city is Houston, Tex., where he is now beginning his second year as music director of the Houston Symphony. But then he turned serious again:

LEOPOLD STOKOWSKI, old in experience but young in outlook, is enjoying his job as music director of the Houston Symphony, building "from the ground up."

"Yes. New York is to the United States what London is to England and Paris to France. The great music cities also include Rome, Berlin, and Amsterdam."

So what was he doing way off in Houston?

"I'm a vagabond. I love to travel. I like it in Houston because it amounts to a fresh start. I build from the ground up. The people there want an ideal orchestra. There is plenty of opportunity for the musician willing to go outside New York, or the other big cities. Some professionals may need the music contacts they can enjoy only in a center like New York where you have everything. Other people have this resourcefulness inside them.

"And everywhere you go now in this country you find some kind of music. It is not in the homes, no, but an interest in it has been awakened very widely, partly by radio and records. Schools have orchestras and bands. In Norwalk, Conn., near where I used to live, there even was an orchestra made up entirely of doctors."

In Houston, Stokowski, one of the great names in the history of music performance, has more rehearsal time than conductors usually get.

In New York he had just conducted the season's opening program of the Symphony of the Air, with three world premieres, and he complained that to prepare them he had only barely time enough to work out the broad outlines.

He has three world premieres scheduled for Houston this season, and three other first performances in America.

At Houston he would like to buld a new hall with a stage for opera and drama and an orchestra pit like Wagner's at Bayreuth. He has inaugurated a system of scholarships for promising young people in the Houston area, and a series of commissioned works.

The rumor goes around occasionally that his real name is Smith. He was born in London Leopold Boleslawowicz Stanislaw Antoni Stokowski, and he retains a bit of the accent that should go with such a name. He studied in London and on the continent, became a United States citizen in 1915, and among a most distinguished series of other positions, has held the posts of regular conductor in Philadelphia, with the NBC Symphony, and the New York Philharmonic. He was founder as well as conductor of the New York City Symphony.

Don't Shoot!

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP)—Kenneth L. Hooper, owner of a gun and machine shop next door to a bank, played it safe.

He had just finished repairing a gun and was going outside to test it when the bank's burglar alarm sounded.

Gun in hand, halfway out the door, it occurred suddenly to him that police rushing to the scene might misunderstand. He stepped back inside quickly.

"Even then, I felt kind of conspicuous," he said.

Delaware is nicknamed the "Diamond State" because it is small in size, but large in importance.

OH, SHOE, SHOE!—Actress Marie Windsor isn't just horsing around for a publicity picture—she really knows how to shoe a horse. And she can tune up a car like a garage mechanic. She picked up the skills when she lived on her parents' ranch at Marysvale, Utah.

An average maple tree yields 15 to 20 gallons of sap, which boils down to a little more than a quart of syrup.

The Hotel Roosevelt in New York City has a Rib Room restaurant that serves only roast beef during the dinner hours.

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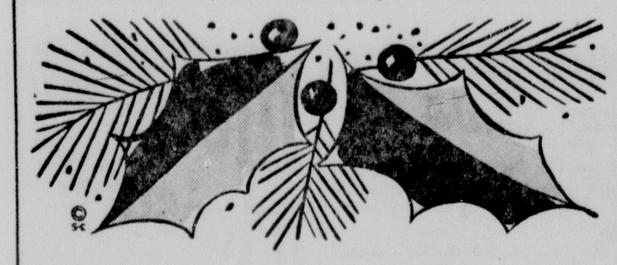

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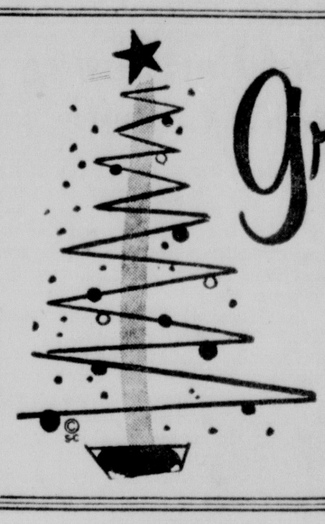

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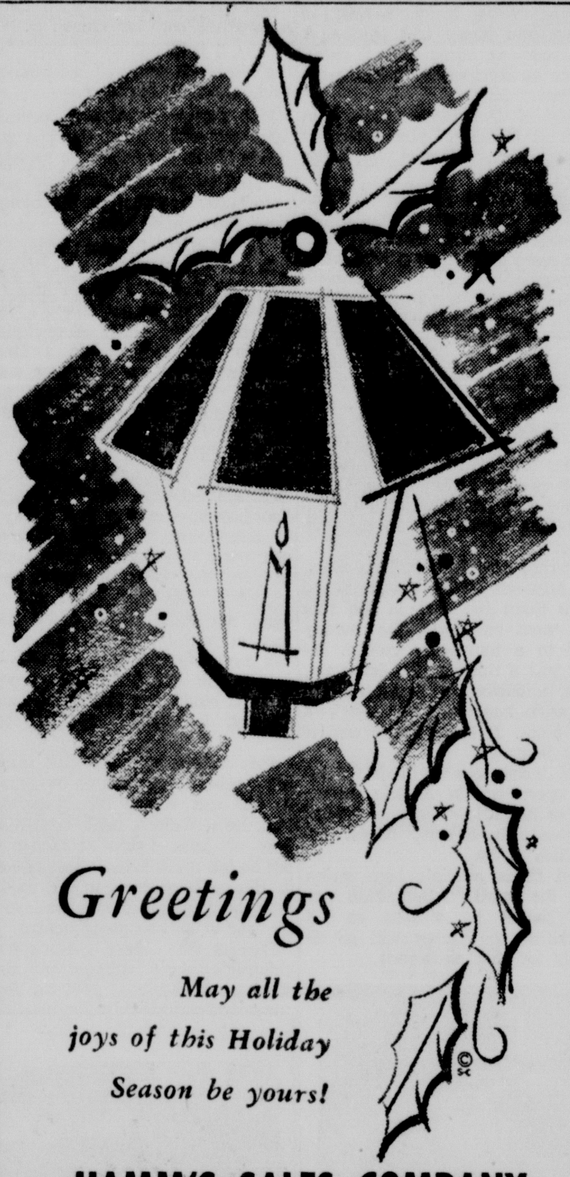

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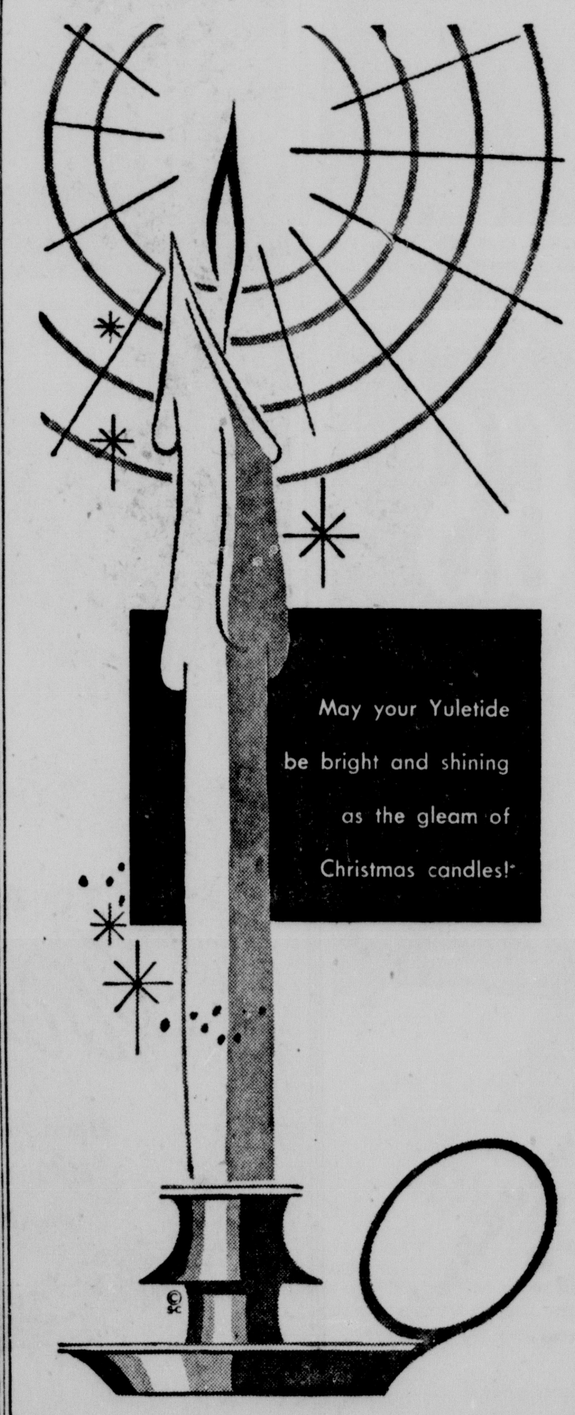

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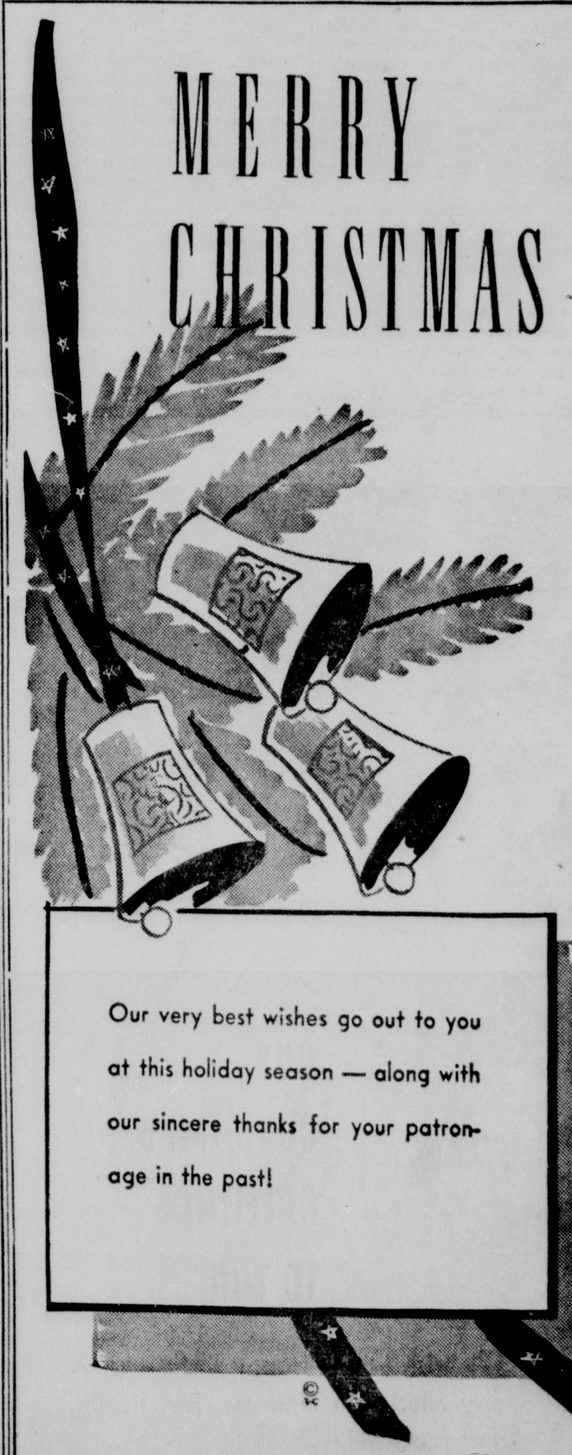

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Woman Is Chief Purchasing Agent for Antioch College

By ALICIA HART

YELLOW SPRINGS, Ohio — When Mary Porter packs her four children into the family jalopy and heads for the general store these days, the top item on her shopping list is a dozen bottles of self-pickling flux.

Time was when the priority went to a large mercenary Venus, but she found that at the fish market. She's still in the market, though, for a breed and brew counter, a fume scrubber and a couple of pressure glands, any size.

These exotic provisions aren't for the family cupboard. They're for the various departments at Antioch College where the slim, 35-year-old brunette is chief purchasing agent.

The art department needs the flux in processing metals; biology wants the mercenary Venus, which is a littleneck clam. A breed and brew counter checks bacteria in milk and cream at the experimental farm; the fume scrubber is for the chemistry lab, and a pressure gland is a wire electrode.

Right now she's heading for an even bigger job — and if her eyes sparkle as she contemplates the spending of $60,000 to outfit the upcoming Union building, what woman will blame her?

Her job started innocently enough back in 1945 when she and her husband paid a return visit to Antioch, their alma mater.

"Before he knew it, someone had given Bob a carload of lumber and he was in business as a building contractor," she explained. "I began as Antioch's dormitory supervisor; the purchasing agent job just grew on me."

Mrs. Porter's first training in large-scale interior decorating and furniture buying came in 1947 with construction of Birch Hall, a women's dormitory.

"That was a break for me," she said, "since the building was done as a package by the architects. They chose everything, from the brick for the exterior walls to the wastepaper baskets. I just listened, learned and relayed messages. Everything I know I learned from them."

What she learned has, to date, carried her through three major construction projects on the campus in the last two years: two dormitories (one new and one rebuilt after a fire) and the library.

The library, she said, was the most fun.

"I used 26 different wall colors in 28 rooms," she said softly, practically purring with pleasure, "and that all-male library staff only egged me on by continually asking 'Why limit yourself?' "

As for boners, Mrs. Porter acknowledged a few.

One concerns the 110 pillows she forgot to order for the beds in the new dormitory. She shrugged that one off with a "Who sleeps on a pillow these days?"

The bulletin boards which don't always retain thumb tacks?

"But these looked so pretty, bare," she protested, laughing. "I was so intent on getting good-looking ones that I forgot about announcements. And, anyhow how often do you see announcements on a bulletin board?"

Mrs. Porter's advice to young homemakers about to embark on a spring redecorating binge is simple.

"Be careful. Don't be afraid of color but check your wardrobe to find out what colors you look well in. If you have a man in mind, stick some blue in somewhere. They like it. I don't know why, but it's the only sex-linked judgment I've come across."

Mrs. Mary Porter is well qualified to give expert advice to her daughter, Pamela, 6, on the ins and outs in using a decorator's chart. As purchasing agent at Antioch College, she finds it invaluable.

Woman's View

PORT CLINTON, Ohio (AP) — Women are like newspapers, Mrs. Lee Hafkin Steele, Toledo Blade reporter, told the Junior Women's Club at nearby Oak Harbor.

"Some use good makeup; others bad. Some have bold faces others do not." But, she advised, "Man should always have one of his own and not try to borrow his neighbor's.

Trial By Highway

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Elden H. Moss was scheduled to come to trial on a negligent homicide charge in the death of a motorist. The day before the trial was to start, however, Moss was killed in a highway accident.

Red Cross Aids Wounded Youth

THIS HUNGARIAN BOY reported he was shot during the uprising in Budapest. He made his way to freedom in Austria where he received first aid from a Red Cross volunteer at a refugee camp. All funds contributed to the American Red Cross $5,000,000 special relief appeal will be used to bring aid to the wounded, the ill, the homeless Hungarians. (ARC Photo)

Small Jar of Baby Food Gets Million Dollar Smile

Editor's Note: "Such an exodus is hard to imagine until you are a part of it," says NEA's Kenneth Gilmore of the Hungarian flight to freedom. Now back in Washington, Gilmore was a part of the exodus when he flew to Austria with an Air Force shipment of Red Cross plasma and covered the first stages of the Hungarian Freedom Fighters' rebellion.

By Kenneth Gilmore
NEA Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON—This I remember:

Baby food dribbled over the chin of a two-year-old boy who just hours before had come across the border from Hungary.

Now he was full and his crying had stopped. He relaxed against his black-shawled mother and burst out with a million-dollar smile.

Actually, it cost only 12 cents. That's what the Red Cross had to lay on the line for one jar of baby food.

This is one of the costs of caring for the victims of Soviet tyranny in Hungary. I saw many more.

A 13-year-old girl with rumpled hair biting her lip while a doctor gave her a tetanus antitoxin shot. Cost? $1.32.

A young husband and wife, escapees from Hungary, munching on canned meat. Cost? For one pound, 72 cents.

A cable from a Hungarian refugee sent by the Red Cross from Vienna to relatives in Akron, Ohio. It said:

"We are free. We would like to come to you. Please take steps."

Cost for the cable? Over $4.

Total the above items, multiply by a thousand and you'll come up with just a fraction of the cost of operation mercy here and abroad, from Kilmer to Traiskirchen.

YOUNG REFUGEE: Watching them trudge into Austria is a sobering sight. . .

As one who has recently returned from seeing suffering humanity from Hungary, I can guarantee that this is a small price to pay.

Yet someone has to pick up the tab. Now every American has a chance to throw in his share. The Red Cross has just launched a national drive to raise five million dollars for Hungarian relief.

Watching men, women and children trudge into Austria from Hungary is a sobering sight. They bring virtually nothing but the clothes on their backs.

"We left a home that we had built ourselves five years ago," a proud woman told me. "We left good furniture, clothes and hundreds of personal things.

"To try and decide on one or two items you want to take with you is almost impossible. It's like trying to choose between your children. So you bring nothing."

Others do not have much to leave behind, so it isn't as hard. But all arrive absolutely dependent on the generosity of the free world they enter.

Already more than 96,000 refugees have fled from Hungary. And more will follow despite blown-up bridges and deadly mines.

Such an exodus is hard to imagine until you are a part of it. For one, I shall never forget a late Sunday afternoon when I walked out of Sopron, Hungary, with thousands who left before the Russian terror.

Some were lucky enough to crowd into buses and trucks. A few rode on horse drawn carts, others on tractors. Most came out by foot.

None of them carries more than a small bundle of possessions or a baby carriage loaded with a few spare clothes.

As we came to the Austrian frontier, women were there with bread and cheese. Then the refugees were ushered to a temporary shelter.

Their trust was miraculous. Never did I talk to or see a refugee who did not have a calm assurance that his or her needs would be met. There were never hysterical, demanding tears, only sad ones.

It was the same at the tiny border town of Nickelsdorf. Alone, by twos and threes and in large groups they came out of the darkness that hid them from the Russians.

Making sure they had no arms, the Austrian border guards would wave them by. And in the rain they went on down the muddy road to a temporary refuge. Inside was a roaring fire, hot soup, beds, a doctor and nurses.

Outside hung a soggy sign — a red cross. It marked the end of their journey.

Yet today lack of funds for relief operations in Austria threatens to fall below amounts needed to give refugees the barest necessities of life.

Red Cross officials here stress that the words "Hungarian relief" should be written on all checks so the money will go directly for that assistance.

HAVEN FOR THE OLD: The trust of the refugees was miraculous . . .

The Mature Parent—

Not Being 'Kind' When We Lie For Our Tardy Child

By MRS. MURIEL LAWRENCE

A child's face will suddenly seem thin to us, a little overtired. One night Bill Downing's face seemed that way to his mother. As he came to kiss her goodnight, she thought, "It's because they start growing so fast at 9 years old." And she went to the kitchen to make Bill a glass of hot milk.

Tre next morning, instead of waking him for school, she let him sleep on. He awoke at 11 o'clock, and rested, hungry, but anxious, came clattering down the stairs, yelling: "What did you let me sleep for? I'll have to have a tardiness note for school. . . ."

"You'll be in plenty of time for the afternoon session," his mother said, buttering his toast.

Bill stopped swallowing orange juice abruptly. "What are you going to say in the note?" he asked.

"That Daddy and I thought you needed some extra sleep this morning," his mother said.

"Miss Lyons will be awful sore," Bill told her gloomily. "She'll ask me what I think I am—a baby?" Then, plaintively, he asked, "Do you hafta tell her I slept late? Couldn't you say I had a little sore throat? Or my stummick was upset?" Brightening suddenly, he said eagerly, "I know. You could say you had to take me to the dentist. . . ."

His mother passed him his plate of scrambled eggs. "No," she said, "no lies by mothers and fathers in this house. If I lied to save you from Miss Lyons' being mad at you, how could I expect you to tell me the truth when you've done something that's made me mad at you? I could not. So don't ask me to lie to Miss Lyons. Compared with our telling the truth to each other, her dislike of your sleeping late isn't important at all."

This refusal to shield Bill from his teacher's displeasure by lying to her was deeply reassuring to him. He still didn't relish the prospect of Miss Lyons' criticism—but he felt much less anxious about it. His mother's trust in the goodness of truthfulness had allayed his fear of its bad consequences.

Parents who falsify reasons for children's school tardiness and absence make serious problems for themselves. They imagine they are being "kind" when they agree to a youngster's demand—and lie for him.

The fact is, the child's demand is really a test of their trust of truth. When they fail it by lying for him, he is deeply disappointed.

General Direction

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — The Corps of Engineers is seeking engineers and technicians for service in Alaska. The head of the recruiting team being sent to southern states is Robert E. Lee.

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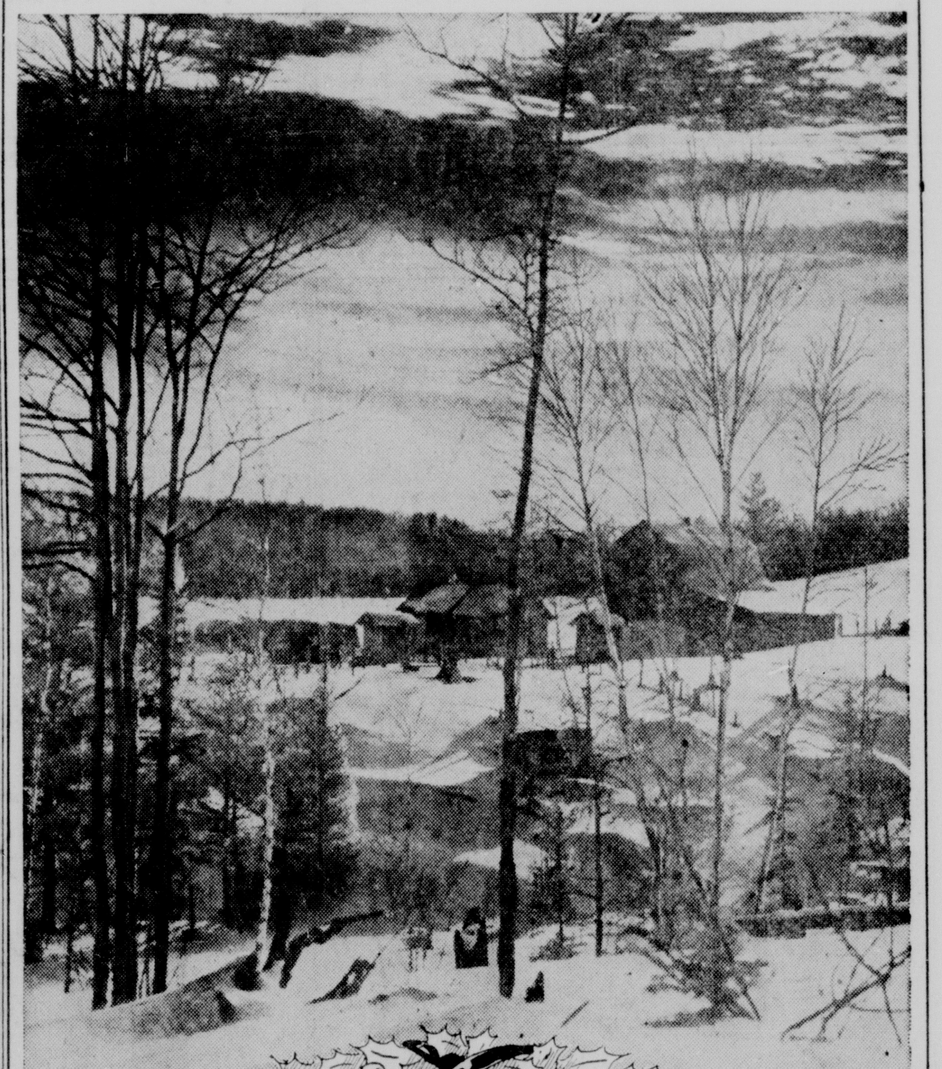

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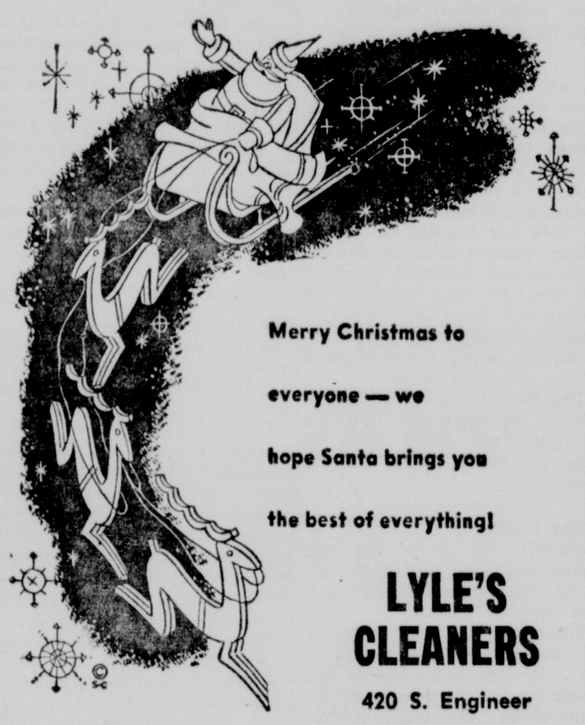

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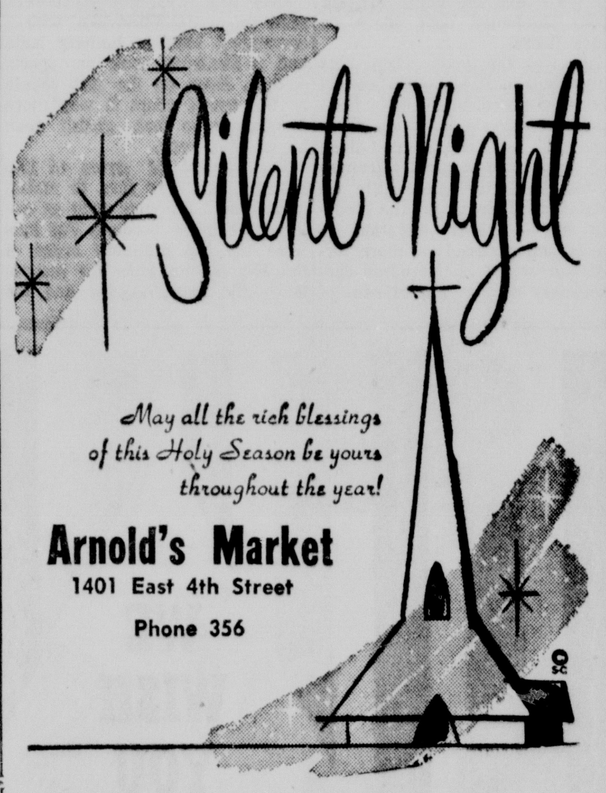

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The Family Doctor---

Encouraging Success Seen In Fight Against T. B.

By Edwin P. Jordan, M. D.

During the past 50-odd years remarkable changes have occurred with tuberculosis. The death rate in the United States alone has declined more than 90 per cent during this period.

That means that where 100 victims of the disease died in 1900, fewer than 10 would die today. This trend to lowering of the hazard to life from tuberculosis is still going on, though less rapidly. Only 15,000 died of this disease in 1955.

In spite of this happy showing, the known frequency or prevalence of the disease has changed much less in the last 20 years. There are now about 400,000 active cases of the disease in the United States, of which about 250,000 are known to health departments. The number of new cases reported in 1955 was approximately 100,000.

The more frequent use of X-rays and the development of mass testing have played a part in discovering new cases.

This is greatly to the good since not only is treatment more effective when tuberculosis is found early, but also it helps to remove a source of infection to others. Although the death rate from tuberculosis has been remarkably reduced, the number of hospital beds for victims of the disease is still insufficient in some communities.

One of the factors responsible for the reduction in deaths from tuberculosis is the use of new drugs. There is no doubt that these have prevented many deaths. Specialists in the field are concerned, however, lest they may merely suppress the fatal effects of tuberculosis and leave those who are treated still harboring the germ of tuberculosis.

All this has raised new technical problems to wrestle with.

The yearly cost of the present tuberculosis control in the United States is calculated at about 350 million dollars. The largest item in this is hospitalization, which is figured at an average of $6.75 per patient per day, or a total of 200 million dollars a year.

In this connection, it may be pointed out that the average cost of one case of tuberculosis is about 15 thousand dollars.

In tuberculosis we have a splendid example of a disease, the attack on which is bringing good results, but which requires still further efforts to accomplish all that we can do in the light of our present knowledge.

Someday we should be able to almost completely eliminate tuberculosis from our society.

Ruth Millett Says---

Cross-Country Taxi Trip Sounds Like Dream Journey

An elderly woman who lives in New Jersey recently decided to tour the United States by taxicab.

In making arrangements with a cab company she asked for "a careful driver who's respectful to a passenger" and one who would not have to leave a wife and children.

The cab company refused to give out the taxi-tourist's name but it's fun to speculate about her.

She wanted a careful, respectful driver who didn't have a family waiting for him at home—that is, one who wouldn't be in a rush to get back.

This would indicate to any wife who has done much cross-country traveling with her husband that this elderly woman is probably a widow who has taken plenty of trips by automobile — but with her husband at the wheel.

Why? Well, because most husbands, cross-country bound, don't drive carefully enough to suit their wives. They like to make time, so their foot is usually a little heavy on the gas

Time for Sight-seeing Pleasure

And they certainly aren't respectful to the front seat passenger who keeps a wary eye on the speedometer, pushes her feet half way through the floor board and is always reading road signs aloud.

Furthermore, when a husband is the chauffeur he is always in a hurry. There's no time to stop and admire a view, no time for a leisurely lunch, no time to stop along the way to let his wife make a local telephone call to an old friend, no time to let her have a look at a big city's stores.

With a husband the motto is "Go, go ,go" -- and that's not the way most women like to travel.

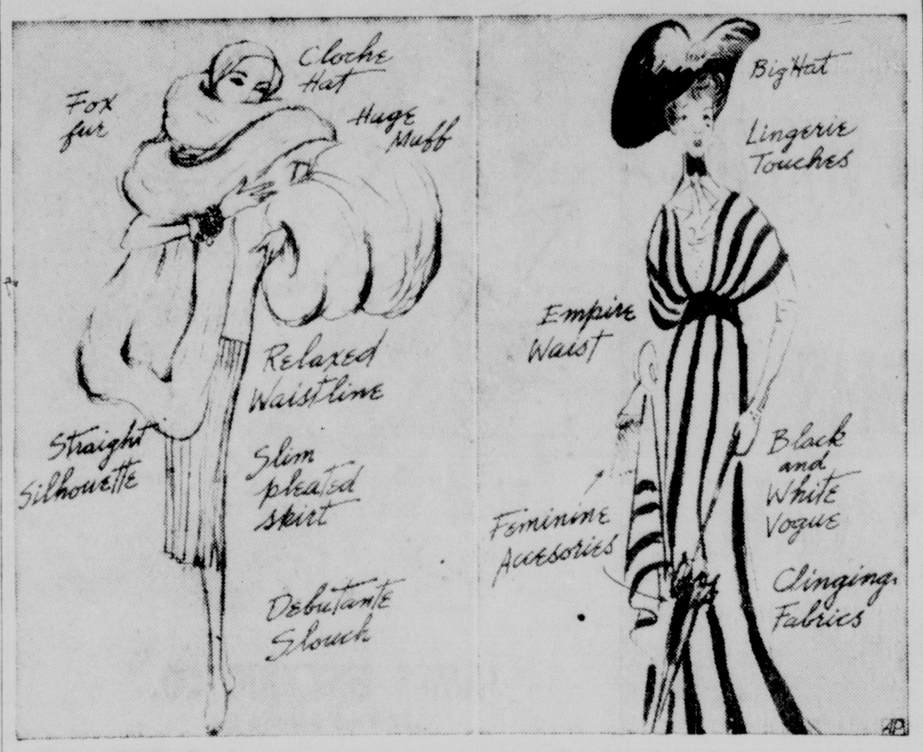
Of course, this is all just guessing. But whether it's accurate or not, it's a safe bet there are a lot of wives in the country who envy the elderly lady her trip.

What a setup! A man at the wheel to do the driving, change tires, follow the road map, etc. But a man who will stop when she wants to stop, who'll slow down when she thinks he is driving too fast, who isn't in any special hurry to get any place, who won't protest when she wants to have a leisurely lunch in a good restaurant instead of grabbing a hamburger from a roadside stand, and who won't dare blame the passenger for not watching the road signs when he takes a wrong turn.

What woman doesn't dream of that kind of trip?

The National Art Gallery in Washington, D.C., is the largest completely air conditioned art museum in the world.

Theater Shaped the Fashions of 1956



WHAT STARTED IT ALL — Travis Banton's original sketch of Rosalind Russell's beige wool suit, felt cloche, fox stole and muff, worn in the musical, "Auntie Mame," is at left; Cecil Beaton's sketch for a gown worn in the famous black-and-white ascot scene from "My Fair Lady" is at right. Costumes fro m the Broadway hits provided impetus for fashion changes of the year.

By DOROTHY ROE
Associated Press Women's Editor

Two Broadway shows shaped the major fashion trends of 1956, and changed the way women looked, walked and wore their hats all over the country.

"My Fair Lady," with its nostalgic 1912 costumes designed by Cecil Beaton, started a return of feminine frills and elegant formality throughout the fashion industry. "Auntie Mame," with its hilarious recap of post-flapper foibles of 1930 in costumes by Travis Banton, started a rage for outsize muffs, cloche hats and the debutante slouch of the era.

Never in recent history has the theater so influenced the nation's vast fashion business, and seldom have women accepted so eagerly a drastic change in mood and silhouette, destined to carry over into 1957.

This was the year when it was fashionable to be ladylike, and the casual little-boy look so beloved by women of all shapes and ages became passe. This was the year when manners returned to fashion, and it became important once more to dress correctly for varying occasions; sports clothes no longer looked right at a cocktail party and full-length evening gowns blossomed once more on dance floors.

This was the year when hats came back in style, and a woman who went bareheaded into a fashionable restaurant for lunch all at once felt self-conscious. Along with the return of greater formality came all the other little refinements of dress in the ladylike era — proper attention to gloves and accessories, more formal hair styles, an increased consciousness of the importance of being correctly shod. This year you didn't see so many open-toed or plastic shoes worn with street clothes. The unadorned pump, with closed toe and heel and a slightly more pointed look, came into its own.

In 1956 fashion preferred understatement in the silhouette, and avoided exaggerations. The nipped waist and the accentuated bosom went out of style, and most daytime clothes, though still slender in line, had a looser, easier fit, so that the body could move inside them.

Women enjoyed being romantic again this year, in appearance as well as mood. They rediscovered the magic of such feminine frou-frou as lacy jobots, delicate embroidery, clinging fabrics, sashes, roses and little furs.

Skirts became discreetly longer, but not much, except for after-five occasions. The new demi-length dinner and theater costume with hemline just above the ankles gained importance, and the formal full-length evening gown returned in force, more often an elaborately draped sheath or a slender column of floating layers of chiffon than the wide-skirted ball gown of other seasons.

Even beachwear and sportswear grew modest and ladylike, with a covered-up look in bathing suits and a feminine look in sports clothes. Even on the golf course or the tennis court it was more fashionable to look girlish than boyish this year.

The revival of styles of 1930 brought back fox furs in stoles, muffs and trimmings such as collars or hemline borders. Fur hats were the big millinery craze of this winter, the white fur plateau being the most popular and the fez and the pillbox notable in all tones of mink as well as fox, broadtail and Persian lamb.

Suits had shorter, semi-fitted jackets or cape effects, skirts took on a peg-top look in many instances and belts were likely to be worn just beneath the bosom.

Hats, whether of fur or flowers, were big and important, providing the dramatic focal point for an understated costume. Evening hats and headdresses were back in fashion, adding a new elegance to the after-dark scene.

This was a year when fashion, prodded by Broadway, looked backward and found much of value and charm in the romantic past.

Good Deeds

JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — The local Community Chest fund is $5 richer on the theory that one good turn deserves another.

Vacationing H. C. Krook of Clinton, Minn., enlisted the aid of the Joliet Boy Scouts to help him locate his hat. "I don't know the name of the restaurant," he wrote "but we stopped at a place on Route 30 on the right hand side of the street going west and about three doors from the corner."

The Scouts scouted the vicinity and located his hat at the Little Lighthouse Sandwich Shop and sent it to him. Scout Executive Frank Geiger received a note of thanks and placed the check with the Community Chest agency.

Julius Caesar imported the first giraffe to Europe in 46 B.C. It was exhibited in Rome.

One of every 10 passenger cars and one of every four trucks is used on the farm.

World's Champ Book Buyer Does It All for Uncle Sam

AP Newsfeatures

The undisputed title of world's biggest buyer of books is held by Miss Margaret Conlan, who has bought almost four and a half million of them in the last seven years.

Miss Conlan, pert, smiling and efficient, is chief of the U.S. Information Agency's New York Service Section, and as such ships books by the ton to some 200 libraries maintained by the agency all over the world. She figures she has spent about six and a third million dollars for books during her tenure as chief.

"I began young," says Miss Conlan. "My first library experience was when I set up a class book collection in the seventh grade, by swiping books and peddling bad lemonade."

Born in Queens, where she still lives with her two bachelor brothers, Miss Conlan's first paid job, while she was attending Richmond Hill High School, was to put books back on the shelves of the local library. Later she went to work full-time for the Queensborough public library. Her choice of a vocation came naturally, as her mother was a partner in a rare book store in New York.

Miss Conlan heads a staff of 26, who check most of the millions of books volume by volume before shipping them out to the far corners of the earth. Their nearest customer is 1,372 miles away, in Haiti, while the agency's other libraries range from Helsinki on the north to Buenos Aires on the south. Miss Conlan points out that the Information Agency's overseas libraries have a triple purpose:

1. They provide basic information about the United States.

2. They show this country's interest in local problems.

3. They present America's spiritual and cultural traditions.

The individual libraries are encouraged to make their own book selections. This policy often results in orders such as one recently received from Cairo, calling for 1075 books, in almost every category, including law books, text books, technical and medical books, atlases, financial reports, fiction, biographies and poetry.

And of course the stock greeting to Miss Conlan by her staff is: "Have you read any good books lately?"

James Watt was only the improver, not the inventor, of the steam engine.

MARGARET CONLAN

Selective Service

ROANOKE, Va. (AP)—A thief who stole doughnuts from outside a Roanoke cigar store certainly had a selective sweet tooth. For several mornings in succession, he stole a package of chocolate covered doughnuts but left the plain and cinnamon doughnuts.

Fancy Footwork

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — An exhibition of rhumba dancing by Max Baer, former heavyweight boxing champion, of the world, was the feature attraction of a recent meeting of the Gliders Dance Club.

Forget Me Nots

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Several days before the Oklahoma Hall of Fame ceremonies at Oklahoma City, the seven-year-old flower girl — Donna Kay Bacon — practiced dropping leaves in the backyard of her home.

When the big day arrived she marched down the aisle in her new formal carrying a basket full of blossoms. The excitement was too much: she forgot to drop a single petal.

St. David's Lighthouse in Bermuda, erected in 1879, is made entirely of stone quarried from the ground around it.

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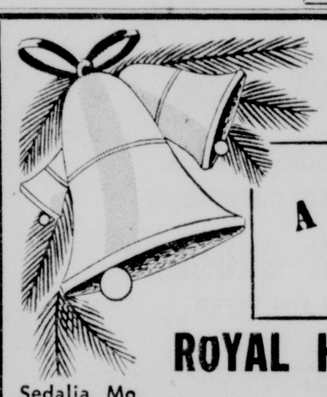

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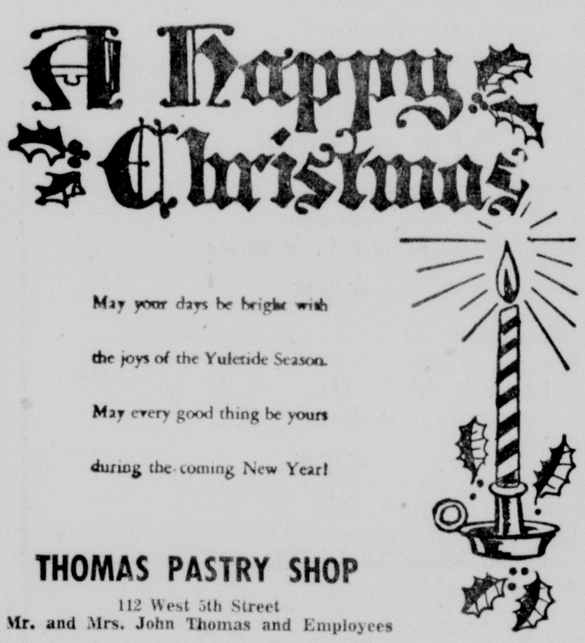

May your days be bright with the joys of the Yuletide Season. May every good thing be yours during the coming New Year!

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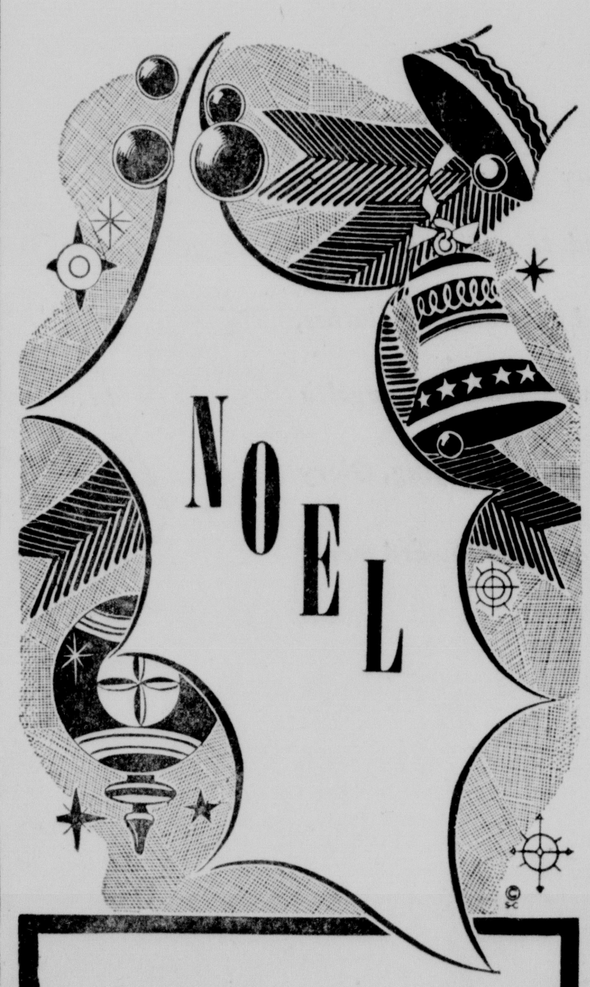

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Once again it is time to reread the ever-beautiful Christmas story. May the wonder of its meaning be renewed in our minds and hearts during this blessed season and may Peace and Good Will reign at Christmastime.

"..... For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you: Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

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